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LOK SABHA

Wednesday, December 24,1969/*Pausa* 3, 1891 (*Saka*)

The Lok Sabha met at

Eleven of the Clock

[MR. SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

TRIBUTE TO MAHATMA GANDHI

MR. SPEAKER : Honourable Members, in this Centenary year of the birth of Mahatma Gandhi, the people and the Governments of various countries all over the world have joined voluntarily in paying homage to the Apostle of non-violence. The East and the West, the affluent and the poor, the old and the young, stand with a sense of reverence to honour this unique man of whom Albert Einstein said:

> "Generations to come, it may be will scarce believe that such a one as this ever in flesh and blood walked upon this earth".

We in India revere Gandhiji as the Father of our Nation. It is but proper that this House, which in a real sense represents the fruition of Gandhiji's epic struggle for freedom and democracy, should, in this sacred year, pay its respectful tribute to him.

I shall presently read out a resolution which we propose to adopt in this behalf. I shall read out the resolution and I request you to kindly stand so that we may pass this resolution while standing.

The Resolution is:

"That this House, on the occasion of the Centenary Year of Mahatma Gandhi,

pays its respectful tribute to the memory of the Father of the Nation, who led the country to Swarajya by non-violent means, who infused a new spirit into the masses, who uplifted the teeming millions of the oppressed and the down-trodden, who awakened the national conscience of the people, and who inspired the people with a spirit of dedication and service;

places on record its deep gratitude to that apostle of *ahimsa* who crusaded for peace, justice and equality and gave to the strife-ridden world the message of universal brotherhood and humanism; and

re-dedicates itself to promote the high ideals of truth, non-violence and service to the nation and to humanity, for which the Mahatma lived and sacrificed his life".

The Resoluation was unanimously adopted All Members standing.

श्री मधु लिमये : (मुंगेर)

श्री रवि राय: (पुरी) महात्मा गांधी की जय।

कुछ माननीय सदस्य : जय।

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS
SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS
INDIA'S EXPORTS

SNQ. 6. SHRI YASHPAL SINGH : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Board of Trade expressed concern at the disturbing trends in exports, in its meeting held on 15th December, 1969;

(b) if so, the decision of the Board to pick up the short fall; and

**Not recorded, as ordered by the Chair.

(c) the encouragements which Government are contemplating to give in this direction ?

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Fourth Meeting of the Board of Trade held on 15th December, 1969 noted with concern the fall in the rate of growth of India's exports during the first half of 1969-70 and urged Government to take expeditious steps with a view to reaching the export targets for 1969-70. Government has undertaken a Crash Programme with a view to achieving our export target for 1969-70. The emphasis of the Programme is primarily on (1) the speedy removal of obstacles in the way of exports; (2) encouragement for increasing exports ex-stock and from scheduled production; (3) encouragement for a fuller utilisation of idle capacity specifically for exports, especially through adequate supply of : (i) raw materials, either imported or indigenous and (ii) other essential inputs; (4) endeavouring through State Governments to improve labour-management relations so that production for exports is not adversely affected; (5) barter deals; (6) expeditious movement, especially at the ports, of export consignments; and special marketing efforts by public sector as well as private enterprises.

श्री यशपाल सिंह : क्या सरकार इस बात पर गौर कर रही है कि जिस तरीके से जापान ने दूसरे मुल्कों से खरीद करके और जो नीडी कंट्रीज थे उन को सामान दिया है जब तक हमारे देश में इस तरह की कोई कम्पनी या इस तरीके की कोई योजना सरकार के हाथ में या पब्लिक या प्राइवेट सैक्टर इसे शुरू नहीं करेगी तब तक हमारी ऐक्सपोर्ट पालिसी फेल होती रहेगी। चूंकि इस वक्त ऐसी चीजें तैयार हो रही हैं जिनकी कि हमारे देश को जरूरत नहीं है और जिनको हम दूसरे देशों में बेच कर फायदा उठा सकते हैं।

श्री ब० रा० भगत : जी हां, जापान ने जो तरक्की की है अपने निर्यात को बढ़ाने में उस पर हम भी जो कुछ यहां अमल कर सकते हैं उस पर कर रहे हैं। साथ ही सबसे आवश्यक चीज यह है कि जब तक हम अपने देश में उत्पादन को तेजी से नहीं बढ़ायेंगे अर्थात् घर की जरूरत को भी पूरी कर सकें और निर्यात भी खूब कर सकें तब तक निर्यात को एक बड़े पैमाने पर बढ़ाना सम्भव नहीं होगा इसलिए सबसे बड़ी आवश्यकता आज उत्पादन को बढ़ाने की है।

श्री यशपाल सिंह : लेबर और मैनेजमैंट के बीच में ताल्लुकात खराब होते जा रहे हैं और हालात इस कदर बिगड़ गये हैं कि एक मुख्य मंत्री को भी अपनी जान बचाने के लिए भूख हड़ताल करनी पड़ती है तो ऐसी हालत में मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि जब लेबर और मैनेजमैंट के बीच में कोई टाई इस तरह की नहीं रहेगी जिससे कि आपस में सदभाव बना रहे और उत्पादन कार्य तेजी से जारी रहे तब तक जाहिर है कि किस तरीके से हमारी यह निर्यात के विकास की पालिसी सफल हो सकती है ?

श्री ब० रा० भगत : यह सारे देश और सारे सदन के लिए सोचने की बात है। कलकत्ता पोर्ट अभी भी हमारे निर्यात के लिए सब से बड़ा पोर्ट है और वहां अगर आपस में जो हड़ताल या इसी तरह की दूसरी बातें होती हैं तो जाहिर है कि उस से निर्यात पर विपरीत प्रभाव पड़ता है, उस का असर कई चीजों के निर्यात पर होता है और इसीलिए पिछले सितम्बर, अक्टूबर में कई चीजों का हमारा निर्यात नहीं हो सका। चूंकि पोर्ट में स्ट्राइक थी लोडिंग नहीं हुई। यह जूट में स्ट्राइक हुई, टी में स्ट्राइक हुई या दूसरी जगहों से या अभी जो कच्चे माल का जहां तक सवाल है स्टील का सवाल है, दुर्गापुर के कारखाने को वहां चूंकि मैनेजमैंट और मजदूरों के बीच में एक

काम करने का अच्छा तरीक़ा नहीं था जिसके कारण हमारे इंजीनियरिंग सामान के निर्यात के लिए रा मैटीरियल नहीं मिला इसलिए यह बहुत ज़रूरी है कि निर्यात के लिए लेबर और मैनेजमैंट का रिलेशन ऐसा होना चाहिए कि जिसमें मैनेजमैंट का वेस्टैज या लौस न हो और निर्यात उससे सफर न करें मगर बदक़िस्मती यह है कि पिछले महीना में जो हमारा तजुर्बा रहा है इस कारण से निर्यात को बहुत भारी धक्का लगा है।

SHRI LOBO PRABHU : In the long list of measures which the hon. Minister has read out, he seems to have omitted two very vital measures, namely reduction of export duties and reduction of inflation. In respect of inflation, I may inform him that our food index, according to *The Economic Times* has risen from 190 to 201 today after a period of a year. Similarly, the index of manufactured and semi-manufactured goods has risen from 166 to 176. I would therefore like to ask the hon. Minister what Government are contemplating in respect of reduction of export duties and reduction of inflation.

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : Inflation ? If there is a rise in prices, to that extent our exportable goods become non-competitive. Therefore, stability of prices is very important. It is not true that food index is higher now; actually the figures were higher in the earlier months.

SHRI LOBO PRABHU : I quoted from the *Economic Times*, 190 to 201.

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : That may be the figures upto September.

SHRI PILOO MODY : How would he know ?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : The food index figures for the last two or three months have come down mainly because of the new crops that have come up. The point is that it is not the overall price level that is important, but the price levels, particularly of the industrial raw materials that go into production of the exportable goods that are very important. It is a fact that some of the industrial raw materials prices have risen, and to that extent, they have acted as a disincentive to exports. Therefore, as I said, maintainence of stability of prices is an important factor.

SHRI LOBO PRABHU : What about taxes ?

SHRI PILOO MODY : We do not want a lecture on it. What is he doing about it ? Let him explanatit. The question has not been answered. We do not want a lecture from him about simple economics. We want answers.

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : I am sorry that the hon. Member is just butting in. I have answered the question about prices.

SHRI PILOO MODY : What is he doing about it ?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : He did not ask that.

SHRI PILOO MODY : He did. He has better make notes when the question is asked.

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : If the Chair allows him a question, I will certainly answer. But I cannot answer in reply to Shri Lobo Prabhu's question a question subsequently asked by the hon. Member.

SHRI PILOO MODY : It was asked by Shri Lobo Prabhu.

SHRI LOBO PRABHU : I did ask it. It is on record. I asked what is he contemplating to do in respect of inflation, in respect of taxes. He has given a certain kind of answer about inflation which is explantory, but he has not given any reply about my question concerning taxes.

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : What taxes ?

SHRI LOBO PRABHU : Export taxes.

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : Does he mean cash assistance for exports ?

SHRI LOBO PRABHU : Yes. Reduction of export taxes in order to encourage exports.

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : I know not do what he means by export taxes.

SHRI MADHU LIMAYE : Export duty.

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : Cash assistance and duties are two different things. For example, when there is a duty and wherever we find that because of the duty, the product is non-competitive, we take action. In the last budget we took action on tea. Very recently, we reduced the export duty on carpet backing by Rs. 300 per tonne. Wherever there is a case for reduction of export duty, whereby we can correct the imbalance and improve our export position, we certainly look into that.

SHRI NARENDRA SINGH MAHIDA: India has traditional export markets in East Africa, Middle East and South East Asia. During my tours, I found that no Indian textiles are going there. We do not have a policy of cutting down our own consumption of goods like textiles so that they can be exported. Is it Government's policy to cut down internal consumption of textiles and other products so that they can be exported in more quantities and thus we can maintain our traditional markets ?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : Our strategy to maintain our traditional markets is not by cutting down home demand because if home consumption of particularly items like textiles is cut, prices will rise and will create another problem. The policy is to meet the world demand. Even to those areas we are trying to export. Although there is competition from Japanese and other goods which are very competitive, overall textile export has gone up this year, even though the other exports have suffered.

श्री मधु लिमये : निर्यात में जो कमी आ रही है, उसके बारे में सभी लोग चिन्तित हैं। जब रुपये का अवमूल्यन किया गया था तब सरकार ने यह कहा था कि निर्यात बढ़ाने के लिए यह कदम जरूरी है। उसके पश्चात् का जो अनुभव रहा है, क्या उसकी रोशनी में मंत्री महोदय कबूल करेंगे कि उन से बड़ी भारी भूल हो गई है और इस भूल को ले कर क्या वह सदन से माफी मांगेंगे ?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : श्री शिव नारायण।

श्री मधु लिमये : जवाब आना चाहिये।

MR. SPEAKER : That cannot be the subject matter of a supplementary. Yet, if you want you can reply.

श्री मधु लिमये : अवमूल्यन के परिणामों के बारे में है। यह बिल्कुल इस सवाल से सम्बन्धित है। निर्यात बढ़ाने के लिए डिवैल्युएशन किया गया था। लेकिन उसका बिल्कुल उलटा असर हो रहा है।

श्री शिव नारायण : डिवैल्युएशन के जो हीरो हैं वह आज इस गवर्नमेंट की जो पार्टी है, उसके प्रेजीडेंट हो गए हैं, कांग्रेस पार्टी जो गवर्नमेंट की है उसके प्रेजीडेंट हो गए हैं (इंटरप्शंज)

I want to known from this Government how much money had been spent in the form of foreign exchange by the Prime Minister and other Ministers on their foreign tours. Let this House know the details.

श्री ब० रा० भगत : माननीय सदस्य ने कहा है कि जो हीरो हैं वह प्रेजीडेंट हो गए हैं। लेकिन अशोक मेहता साहब जो आपको इकोनोमिक पालिसी ड्राफ्ट करते हैं, वह उस वक्त कहां थे, उनका क्या रोल था, इसको आप देख लें। इस वास्ते उसकी चर्चा करना बेकार है।

जहां तक फारेन एक्सचेंज की बात है, उसके बारे में हमेशा स्टेटमेंट यहां रखी जाती है, जो मंत्री वगैरह जाते हैं, उन पर कितना खर्च होता है, उसकी स्टेटमेंट यहां रख दी जाती है। अभी पीछे भी रखी गई थी।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : दूसरे झगड़ों को इस मासूम से सवाल में क्यों लाते हैं? झगड़े अपने बाहर कर लिया करें, सप्लीमैंटरी क्वेश्चन में उनको क्यों लाते हैं।

SHRI HEM BARUA : With a view to further pushing up our export trade, do the Government propose to nationalise export trade in toto and if they do not, why not ? Secondly, since the export of tea has slumped, that steps have the Government taken to promote the export of tea and capture the world market ?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : As for nationalishing exsport trade, the House is aware that our policy is this. Progressively we are increasing the role of the public sector agencies in export and we shall continue to do so till those agencies come to occupy a predominant role in our export trade.

SHRI RABI RAY : What percentage ?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : The S. T. C. is increasing its export by leaps and bounds.

SHRI PILOO MODY : That is a good substitute for percentage: "leaps and bounds."

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : We will increase the percentage substantially. Do not worry about it. (*Interruption*) Hon. Members will appreciate that in the export trade, we are dealing with buyers from outside. They have the option not to buy from us; they got other markets. Therefore, the prime consideration is that we have to consolidate our position and take administrative measures. Also, if we canalise the items of export, we should take care that the export should not dry up, because the buyers have the option to go somewhere else. It is different from import trade. Therefore, this national consideration is the only consideration, and subject to this, whatever items we can canalise we will take over, commensurate with the national interests and also to give an increase in the export trade we will take over. That is our policy.

Then, about tea, it is true that tea accounts in this year's shortfall, that is, in the export, tea accounts for the largest shortfall. Actually, so far, there has been a drop of Rs. 20 crores in tea export mainly because the price of tea in the world market has come down. There is an over-supply, and we are trying to regulate internationally the supply in the world market.

SHRI HEM BARUA : We are losing our tea market in the world.

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : We are not losing. So, far we have been maintaining the quality of export till last year. This year, there may be a shortfall in the quantity, but we were losing in value, because every year, the prices of tea were coming down in the world market. The adverse international trade condition is the main reason for loss in the export revenue of tea.

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI : In view of the present unfavourable balance of trade to the extent of Rs. 500 crores, may I know from the hon. Minister by what time they want to nationalise the export trade of this country and whether they are considering the proposal that all those foreign private investors who are producing consumer goods, or goods which are consumed in this country, should be allowed or directed to export at least 75 per cent of those products which they are producing in this country only for internal consumption ?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : The balance of trade which the hon. Member is referring to is more because of the fact that the import has been severely cut as a policy of import substitution. That has two considerations : that the country is manufacturing consumer items is an aspect of self-reliance and it may also means that industrial production which ought to take place is not taking place to that extent; this we have to correct. But it is our effort that both by way of reducing unnecessary import, or rather, more by way of earning more by export that we should have a favourable or viable balance of trade in our favour.

As for persuading or asking then units which are producing both consumption and other goods, in the case of existing industries, where a product is not capable of such larger exports, we cannot force them. But certainly in giving new licences or permission for expansion of capacities, it is our policy that where a product can be exported to the extent of even 75 per cent or even to 100 per cent, if it can be exported, we will make it a condition of licence, so that these goods can be exported.

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: When do the Government propose to nationalise the trade ?

MR. SPEAKER : Shri Lakkappa.

SHRI K. LAKKAPPA : The shortfall in the exports is to a large extent due to to the policy of the Government of India in relation to the construction of new railway lines and the development of ports expecially in South India, which has not taken place. Take, for example, iron ore, so far as export is concerned. With regard to the export of iron ore, may I know whether the Government of India consider that, in view of the need to export more iron ore, they should have new railway lines constructed, and will they also consider that port development will be taken up ?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : It is true that from the long-term aspect, considering the targets we have set for iron ore export, construction of certain railway lines is absolutely necessary. That has been taken up and the construction will start in due course.

श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी : क्या यह सच नहीं है कि गवर्नमेंट का निर्यात व्यापार मुख्यत : रशिया और योरप की कंट्रीज से ही है, अफ्रीकन और साउथ अमरीकन देशों में हमारे निर्यात का प्रचार और प्रसार नहीं है। मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि गवर्नमेंट ने अफ्रीकन और साउथ अमरीकन कंट्रीज में अपने माल का निर्यात करन की दिशा में क्या प्रयत्न किया है या करने जा रही है ?

श्री ब० रा० भगत : भौगोलिक दृष्टि से हमारा व्यापार सभी जगह बढ़ा है और सब से अधिक व्यापार हमारा सिंगल कंट्री के हिसाब से अमरीका के साथ अब भी है।

श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी : साउथ अमरीका का बतलाइये।

श्री ब० रा० भगत : मैं बतला रहा हूं। जहां तक ग्रोथ के परसेंटेज का सवाल है, साउथ ईस्ट एशिया और वेस्ट एशिया में हमारे व्यापार का सब से अधिक परसेंटेज आफ ग्रोथ हुआ है। रूस और दूसरे रूपी ट्रेड एशिया के देशों से भी हमारा व्यापार बढ़ा है। यह बात सही है कि दक्षिण अमरीका के देशों से हमारा व्यापार नगण्य है। मगर हम ने कोशिश की है कि इसमें जो रुकावटें हैं उन में कमी हो। हम ने एक डेलिगेशन भेजा था और उस ने कई सुझाव दिये थे, खासकर यह कि वेअर हाउसिंग होना चाहिए ताकि वह देख सके हमारे माल को। हम कदम उठाने जा रहे हैं। जहां तक ज्वायेंट वेचर की बात है, हमारे निर्यात व्यापार को बढ़ाने के लिये यह आवश्यक है कि हमारी डाइरेक्ट शिपिंग लाइन्स हों। उन्होंने सुझाव दिया है और हम कारंवाई कर रहे हैं। उम्मीद है कि निकट भविष्य में उन देशों से हमारा व्यापार बढ़ेगा।

MR. SPEAKER : Next question.

SHRI R. K. AMIN : You promised to call me, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER : Don't put words into my mouth. I only asked you to sit down.

SHRI R. K. AMIN : I have been standing so many times to ask a question.

MR. SPEAKER : I do not like this tone. This is not the way to ask a supplementary. The other day also I observed it. It is not a gentlemanly way. Anyhow, he may ask his question.

SHRI R. K. AMIN : So far the Government has adopted a policy of encouraging exports indiscriminately. There are some exports which are made by utilising under utilised capacity in the country. If we encourage them there is no harm. But there are certain commodities which we export which compete with our own demand very heavily. Will Government separate the two and encourage only those export which will utilise our under-utilised capacity and discourage exports which will compete with our home demand ? Will Government adopt multiple exchange rates even in a limited way to encourage our exports ?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT : Whatever the hon. member has said is enough to kill all export incentives. Last year there was a large unutilised capacity and we were able to export. But that is no export effort. The real export effort means, we should expand production. There should be proper planning for enough peroduction which will meet the home demand as well as the export demand. This country will have to industrialise, diversify production and then export.

If we follow multiple exchange, it will mean loss of confidence to all buyers outside.

SOME HON. MEMBERS *rose*—

MR. SPEAKER : Unless I grab my right to pass on to the next question, hon. members do not leave this question even after half an hour. Why not have a debate on this ? Next question.

श्री रणधीर सिंह : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मेरा प्वाइंट आफ आर्डर है। मैं निहायत नम्रता के साथ इस क्वेश्चन के सिलसिले में दरख्वास्त करता हूं कि मैं नहीं समझ पाता कि आप के सेक्रेटेरियट ने क्या प्रोसीजर फ़ालो किया है। जो मेरा सवाल था वह तो कतअन है ही नहीं, जो सवाल रक्खा गया है उस में भी मुझे को ऐन नीचे डाल दिया गया है। यह झगड़ा तो आप का और मेरा है, यानी पंजाब और हरियाणा का है। पंजाब हमारा बड़ा भाई है और हरियाणा छोटा भाई है। लेकिन श्री कंवरलाल गुप्त और श्री पाटोदिया बीच में कहां से आ गये ? (व्यवधान)

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : The Speaker belongs to the whole country and not to Punjab alone.

श्री रणधीर सिंह : मैं पिछले एक महीने से इस सवाल को हाउस में उठाने के बारे में कोशिश कर रहा हूं। मैंने श्री उमरांगल, श्री राड़ेवाला और श्री बलवंतसिंह के स्टेटमेंटस के बारे में तीन कालिंग एटेन्शन नोटिस दिये, लेकिन वे नामन्जूर हो गये। मैंने रूल 193 के मातहत डीबेट के लिए भी दरख्वास्त दी थी। शायद वह भी नामन्जूर हो गई है। बड़ी मुश्किल से आज एक शार्ट-नोटिस क्वेश्चन के शक्ल में इस का नम्बर आया है, लेकिन मेरा और श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा का नाम सब से नीचे रखा गया है। (व्यवधान) मैं आप के बारे में कुछ नहीं कह सकता हूं, क्योंकि आप के लिए मेरे दिल में बहुत प्यार और अदब है। लेकिन मैं पूछना चाहता हूं कि सेक्रेटेरियट ने इस सवाल में हमारे नाम सब से नीचे क्यों डाल दिये हैं। आप जानते हैं कि मैंने और मेरे दोस्त, श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा, ने इस सवाल पर हाउस में पंद्रह बीस मिनट तक धरना भी दिया था। होम मिनिस्टर साहब ने यह बात स्वीकार कर ली कि अगर कोई शार्ट-नोटिस क्वेस्चन आयेगा, तो वह उसपर विचार करेंगे। कल सुबह मैंने और मेरे दोस्त ने यह सवाल दे दिया, लेकिन हम देखते हैं कि हमारे नाम सब से आखिर में डाल दिये गये हैं।

आप बड़े बुजुर्ग हैं; मैं क्या कहूं ? लेकिन आख़िर हमारे साथ यह अत्याचार क्यों हो रहा है ? जो सवाल हम ने दिया था, वह गायब है और उस की जगह यह सवाल रख दिया गया है। इस के अलावा हमारे नाम सब से आख़िर में डाल दिये गये हैं। अगर

हमारा नाम पहले होता, तो हम दो सवाल पूछ सकते थे। लेकिन हमारी जगह श्री गुप्त और श्री पाटोदिया के नाम ऊपर रख दिये गये हैं। हमारे साथ यह बेइन्साफ़ी है। मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि हमारे साथ यह ज्यादती क्यों हुई है। (व्यवधान)

SHRI PILOO MODY : Sir, I suggest that you and Shri Randhir Singh debate this matter.

MR. SPEAKER : Will he please resume his seat ? I will first answer the point of order. Unfortunately, I come from a State which is a party to the dispute. He thinks that the Chair is also a party to this dispute. I assure him as my younger brother that I sit here as the Speaker and not as Shri Dhillon.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH : I never meant that.

MR. SPEAKER : I assure this House that I sit here as Speaker. My views on many problems of Punjab when I was a Minister there are very well known to all. But that is not relevant here when I am occupying this seat.

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : Sir, we very well know your impartiality.

MR. SPEAKER : So, please do not involve the chair in such controversies. In this particular case I was very cautious not even to see that he has stated. I read it only in the papers. For the information of the House I may say that this is the reply received from the Ministry of Home Affairs. This is a letter from a Deputy Secretary of the Home Ministry addressed to our Deputy Secretary, which reads:

"Dear Shri Chawla,

The Home Minister has agreed to accept Short Notice Question No. 6, tabled by Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta and..... It is chronologically the first in the order of questions on the subject of Chandigarh. As Shri Prem Chand Verma and Shri Randhir Singh have also tabled short notice questions on almost the same subject, it is requested that their names may also be kindly clubbed together with Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta."

You must be very cautious in future while speaking to me because I am observing very strict impartiality and neutrality.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH : I have said nothing against you. I have the greatest respect for you.

श्री गुरचरण सिंह : स्पीकर साहब, मेरा पायंट आफ़ आर्डर है। यह क्वेस्चन एडमिट हो चुका है। चाहिए तो यह था कि चौधरी साहब इस पर अपना सवाल करते। मगर उन्होंने बिला-वजह इधर-उधर की बातें करनी शुरू कर दीं। यह उन की आदत है। (व्यवधान) पिछले साटरडे को उन्होंने हमें एब्यूज़ किया और कहा कि सारे अकाली नक्सलाइट हैं। मैं बता देना चाहता हूं कि पंजाब में नव्वे परसेंट सिख अकाली हैं और अगर वे सब नक्सलाइट बन चुके हैं, तो फिर इन को कुछ सोचना पड़ेगा। (व्यवधान)

श्री रणधीर सिंह : 99 परसेंट सिख नैशनलिस्ट हैं, पेट्रियट हैं, सिर्फ 1 परसेंट उलट पलट है ।

SHRI GURCHARAN SINGH : Here is the record of the House.

MR. SPEAKER : Are you satisfied now? Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : SNQ 7.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : अध्यक्ष महोदय, माननीय सदस्य ने कहा है कि 90 प्रतिशत सिख अकाली हैं। मैं समझता हूं कि यह पंजाब के राष्ट्रीय विचार वाले सिखों का अपमान है। अगर यह बात सदन की कार्रवाही में जायेगी, तो राष्ट्रीय विचार के सिखों को कष्ट होगा।

श्री रणधीर सिंह : 99 परसेंट सिख पेट्रिट औरस्ट हैं। (व्यवधान)

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : अकाली सब से ज्यादा पेट्रिटयट हैं। ये सब से बड़े फ़िर्कापरस्त हैं। (**व्यवधान**) इन लोगों ने अबोहर के डी० ए० वी० कालेज में हड़ताल करवाई। (**व्यवधान**) इन लोगों ने रोहतक में मीटिंग की ....

श्री रणधीर सिंह : हमारा उस मीटिंग से कोई ताल्लुक नहीं है। (**व्यवधान**)

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : Sir, Chandigarh is an explosive issue and emotions have been aroused on both sides. May I make an appeal to the whole House and to hon. Members, whose names are there on the question, that they should please see that they do not say anything or ask any such question which may worsen the situation which is already bad (*Interruption*).

श्री रणधीर सिंह : माननीय सदस्य हमें क्या समझाते हैं? वह अकालियों को समझायें, जिन के साथ वे पंजाब की कैबिनेट में हैं।

MR. SPEAKER : May I request hon. Members to let the Home Minister reply to the question. They are fully entitled to ask supplementaries is a very orderly manner. Why do they quarrel with each other and complicate the issue ?

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : Sir, we are prepared to have Chandigarh in U. P.

श्री रवि राय : मंत्री महोदय भी इस प्रश्न को अब काम्लीकेट न करें। वह सीधा जवाब दें।

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SNQ. 7 SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA:
SHRI D. N. PATODIA :
SHRI PRAKASH VIR SHASTRI:
SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA :
SHRI RANDHIR SINGH :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Ministers of Punjab have made provocative and threatening statements over the Chandigarh issue;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of Government to such statements ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN) : (a) to (c). My attention has been drawn to some threatening speeches alleged to have been made by some Ministers of Punjab over the Chandigarh issue. We considered such speeches unfortunate. I wrote to the Chief Minister of Punjab requesting him to find out it these reports were correct and to to do whatever was possible to curb such utterences. The reply of the Chief Minister is awaited but when he met me yesterday he told me that his Ministers had denied having made such statements. He also assured me that nothing would be said or done by his Ministers which would disturb the communal harmony or disrupt unity and integrity of the country.

श्री कंवरलाल गुप्त : अध्यक्ष महोदय, हमारा एक बड़ा देश होने के कारण यहां एक राज्य का दूसरे राज्यों से कई मामलों पर मतभेद रहेगा—पहले भी रहा है और आगे भी रहेगा। यह स्वाभाविक है लेकिन किसी तरह का थ्रेट देना, "वन्द" करना या ऐजीटेशनल एपरोच अपनाना किसी भी पक्ष के लिए ठीक नहीं है और यह देश के इन्ट्रेस्ट में भी नहीं है। (**व्यवधान**)

श्री स० मो० बनर्जी : इन पर गांधीजी का असर हो रहा है। (व्यवधान)

SHRI RAM KISHAN GUPTA : What is this ? Action should be taken against him. (*Interruptions*) (इनके खिलाफ ऐक्शन लिया जाय।)

श्री कंवरलाल गुप्त : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मुझे खुशी है कि मेरे पर गांधी जी का असर है, यह अच्छा है, और बैनर्जी साहब पर भी हो जाय तो अच्छा है। मेरा सवाल यह है कि जो गृह मंत्री महोदय ने कहा, मैं उस का स्वागत करता हूं और मेरा

ख्याल है कि यह भावनाएं जो मैं ने व्यक्त की हैं यह मेरी नहीं सारे सदन की हैं और गृह मंत्री महोदय दोनों पक्षों को यह बता दें, मैं गृह मंत्री से दो आश्वासन आज चाहता हूं--एक तो यह कि किसी भी कीमत पर जो पार्टी भी थ्रेट दे, एजीटेशन की थ्रेट हो या किसी तरह की भी थ्रेट हो, वायलेंस की थ्रेट हो, यह सरकार उन थ्रेट्स से न दब कर के चंडीगढ़ का ईश्यू मेरिट पर तय करेगी और दूसरा विश्वास मैं यह चाहता हूं कि इस से पहले कि कोई भी अनटूवर्ड इंसीडेंट्स किसी स्टेट में हो जाय जिससे कि स्थिति बिगड़ जाय, सरकार चंडीगढ़ का फैसला कर देगी ?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : As far as the Chandigarh issue is concerned, I have already made a statement on the floor of the House. I have indicated the time-limit on this matter. The Government stands by that commitment. Naturally, such question have to be considered very carefully and they, naturally, will have to be considered on merits also.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : What about the first part of my question ?

वायलेंस से आप नहीं दबेंगे, मेरिट पर फैसला करेंगे, इसका अश्योरेंस देंगे ?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : There is no question of giving assurance. That has always been the policy of the Government.

श्री कंवरलाल गुप्त : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं हरयाना सरकार को और पंजाब सरकार को दोनों को बधाई देना चाहता हूं कि कुछ टेंशन होने के बाद भी इस ईश्यू के ऊपर कोई कम्युनल टेंशन नहीं है और इस में विशेषत: पंजाब सरकार भी बधाई की पात्र है। इसका मुख्य कारण यह है कि वहां पर अकालियों और जनसंघ का कोलीशन है जिसके कारण वहां पर कम्युनल टेंशन नहीं है। मैं पूछना चाहता हूं कि क्या यह बात सही है कि किसी स्टेज पर जब प्रधान मंत्री ने यह कहा कि चंडीगढ़ का ईश्यू दोनों पार्टी मिल कर हल कर लें तो ठीक होगा और दोनों पार्टी मिल कर के फैसला करने के मूड में भी थीं, वह फैसला करीब करीब हो भी रहा था लेकिन जब राष्ट्रपति का चुनाव आया उस समय प्रधान मंत्री ने दोनों पक्षों को बुला कर कहा कि हम आप को चंडीगढ़ दे देंगे ..... (व्यवधान) .....

MR. SPEAKER : No please; that is not relevant.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : It may be embarrassing to the Government. But it is a very relevant question.

MR. SPEAKER : Not at all a relevant question. You are suggesting something, attributing something and then saying like tahamnot I.tgoing to allow.

श्री कंवरलाल गुप्त : मेरा सवाल यह है कि आया सरकार दोनों पक्षों को यह दोबारा कहेगी कि वह बैठ कर के आपस में फैसला कर लें और जो सरकार के सामने और साल्यूशन के बहुत सारे आलटरनेटिव्ज हैं उसमें यह भी है कि चंडीगढ़ के लोगों से सलाह की जाय कि वह क्या चाहते हैं ?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : All these matters are before the Government. Naturally, the Government will consider all the alternatives and then take a decision.

SHRI D. N. PATODIA : May I know what will be the guiding factors for the Government on the basis of which a decision will be taken on the Chandigarh issue ?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : Naturally, all the points involved will have to be considered.

MR. SPEAKER : Shri Prakash Vir Shastri.

SHRI D. N. PATODIA : What are the specific matters on which you will be guided in the matter ? There must be some specific factors.

SHRI PILOO MODY : The political expediency. That will be an honest answer.

SHRI RANGA : Will they decide in an arbitrary manner as they like ?

MR. SPEAKER : Shri Prakash Vir Shastri.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : मेरा जहां तक अनुमान है पंजाब में और पंजाब से बाहर भी समाचार पत्रों के संवाददाता इतने गैर-जिम्मेदार नहीं हैं कि जो इस तरह से मिनिस्टरों के संबंध में और जो पंजाब के मुख्य व्यक्ति हैं उनके सम्बन्ध में इस प्रकार के वक्तव्य समाचार पत्रों में प्रसारित करें कि जो उन्होंने कभी कहा ही न हो। यह बात दूसरी है कि एक बार वक्तव्य देने के बाद समाज की प्रतिक्रिया को देख कर के अपने वक्तव्यों को वापस ले लें। मेरी तो जानकारी यहां तक भी है कि जो वर्तमान मुख्य मंत्री हैं लुधियाने में बन्दा वैरागी के संबंध में हुए समारोह में सब से पहले पृथक राज्य की इस प्रकार की मांग का प्रारंभ उन के द्वारा हुआ था और अगर मैं भूल नहीं करता हूं तो जनसंघ के जो विधान सभा के सदस्य थे उन्होंने उस समय विधान सभा में उन का विरोध भी किया था कि इस प्रकार के राज्य की मांग नहीं आनी चाहिए। मैं जानना चाहूंगा कि मुख्य रूप से आज जो वहां के मुख्य मंत्री हैं, यह लोग तो केवल शब्दों में कह रहे हैं, और वह जो व्यवहार में एक पृथक राज्य बनाने के संबंध में पंजाब में जो बात बरत रहे हैं, पुलिस को इस्तेमाल कर के और दूसरे वर्ग के लोगों के धर्म-स्थानों को भ्रष्ट कर के, उनकी लड़कियों के साथ दुर्व्यवहार कर के और अबोहर में जो कांड हुआ है उस के बारे में समाचार पत्रों में आप ने पढ़ा होगा यह सारी की सारी बातें इस का प्रमाण हैं, जो डी० ए० वी० कालेज में धर्म-स्थान के संबंध में हुआ, तो एक तो मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि श्री राड़ेवाला, पेप्सू के भूतपूर्व मुख्य मंत्री ने जो आरोप लगाया है कि वर्तमान पंजाब सरकार के कुछ ऊंचे अधिकारियों का पाकिस्तान के राष्ट्रपति याह्या खां से सम्बन्ध है, यह चीज कहां तक सही है? दूसरी बात मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि कल जब पंजाब के मुख्य मंत्री सरदार गुरनाम सिंह गृह मंत्री जी से मिले तो क्या यह सही है कि जो यहां संसद में हम ने सुझाव रखे थे कि भारत सरकार इसलिए डर रही है चंडीगढ़ के सवाल का निर्णय करने में कि अगर पंजाब के पक्ष में निर्णय होता है तो हरयाना वाले नाराज हो जायेंगे और हरयाना के पक्ष में होता है तो पंजाब वाले नाराज हो जायेंगे, इस लिये बीच का रास्ता यह है कि चंडीगढ़ के निवासियों की राय जान ली जाय और लोगों की सहमति जिधर भी हो उधर चंडीगढ़ का फैसला कर दिया जाय, क्या इस संबंध में भी बातचीत उन से हुई थी? अगर हुई थी तो उन का क्या अभिप्राय था और यह बीच का रास्ता अपनाने में भारत सरकार को क्या कठिनाई है?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : When the Chief Minister, Punjab, met me, we did go into the alternatives of Chandigarh question. Naturally he wanted to remind me of the necessity of taking early decision. Since I was to answer this question—Short Notice question——, I raised this question about certain statements made by his Ministers and he explained what I have said already. In this matter I would go by the statement of as responsible Chief Minister. When he has said that the Minister have denied it, you should accept that statement. We have no information or evidence to say that any leaders or officers of Punjab Government are in league with Pakistan.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : मेरे पहले प्रश्न का क्या उत्तर है कि इस में भारत सरकार को क्या कठिनाई है कि चंडीगढ़ के निवासियों की राय जान ली जाय चंडीगढ़ के संबंध में क्योंकि समाचार पत्रों में यह निकला है कि पंजाब के मुख्य मंत्री ने यह कहा है गृह मंत्री से कि मुझे जनमत संग्रह कराने में कोई कठिनाई नहीं है तो मैं जानना

चाहता हूं कि भारत सरकार को क्या कठिनाई है अगर यह रास्ता निकाल कर के इस झगड़े को समाप्त कर दिया जाय?

श्री यशवंत राव चव्हान : I cannot give my opinion on this. और मेरे से उन्होंने यह कहा नहीं।

SHRI SHEO NARAIN : This is a basic question. What is the Home Minister is going to say on this ? What is his opinion ? (*Interruptions*)

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : I cannot give my opinion.

श्री प्रेम चंद वर्मा : अध्यक्ष महोदय, यह बड़ा महत्वपूर्ण सवाल था। हम चाहते थे कि इस पर कम से कम दो घंटे इस सदन में बहस हो, केवल मैं ही नहीं चौधरी रणधीर सिंह ही नहीं, और भी बहुत से सदस्य यह चाहते थे, लेकिन उस की इजाजत आप ने नहीं दी तो अब जब यह सवाल होम मिनिस्टर साहब ने मंजूर कर लिया है तो मैं आप से केवल अर्ज करना चाहूंगा कि मुझे सिर्फ चार मिनट चाहिए, मैं कोई शोर शराबा नहीं करना चाहता और मैं नहीं चाहता कि कोई बीच में डिस्टर्ब मुझे किया जाय। मैं फैक्ट्स रखना चाहता हूं। मैं सदन से भी रिक्वेस्ट करूंगा, मैं कोई भाषण नहीं दूंगा, केवल फैक्ट्स आपके सामने रखूंगा।

चंडीगढ़ का जो मसला है सारे देश में इस ने एक बेचैनी फैला दी है और एक परेशानी का सवाल यह बन गया है! उस का कारण यह है कि जब एक सरकार के वजीर ही यह बात कहने लगें कि जिस प्रदेश के वह वजीर हैं उस प्रदेश में बदअमनी हो जायगी और उस के अन्दर हिन्दुस्तान के टुकड़े करने की कोशिश वह कर रहे हैं तो मैं यह समझता हूं कि जम्हूरियत की जड़ों पर जबर्दस्त कुल्हाड़ा यह है। इस सवाल के ऊपर इस सदन में ठीक तरह से विचार नहीं किया गया तो मैं समझता हूं कि इसके नतीजे बहुत खतरनाक होंगे। उस का कारण मैं आपको बतलाना चाहता हूं। मैं यह अर्ज करना चाहता हूं कि अगर पंजाब में गड़बड़ हुई तो इस का असर सारे हिन्दुस्तान पर पड़ेगा .....

श्री राम सेवक यादव : अध्यक्ष महोदय, क्या इस सदन में यह परिपाटी चलायेंगे कि जब एक प्रश्न पूछा जा चुका है और मंत्री महोदय ने उस के बारे में साफ इन्कार कर दिया है, उस के बावजूद भी बारबार उस सवाल को पूछा जा सकता है? यह पुनरावृत्ति नहीं होनी चाहिये ....

श्री रणधीर सिंह : वह मंत्री झूठ बोलता है .... (**व्यवधान**) ....

MR. SPEAKER : '*Jhoot*' is unparliamentary. Please withdraw it.

SHRI GURCHARAN SINGH : He should withdraw the word.

They are not in this House.

MR. SPEAKER : Will youplease with draw the previous one ? Are you withdrawing it ?

श्री रणधीर सिंह : वह मंत्री झुठ बोलता है, बलवंत सिंह झूठ बोलता है ..... (**व्यवधान**) ....

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : ये गलतबयानी कर रहे हैं।

MR. SPEAKER : Will you please with draw the word '*jhoot*'?

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : वह तोपहले ही कह दिया है। आप तो कभी गुस्से में नहीं आया करते, आज आपको क्या हो गया है ?

श्री क० ना० तिवारी : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मेरा प्वाइन्ट आफ़ आर्डर है! यह मंत्री झूठ बोल रहे हैं या वह मंत्री झूठ बोल रहे हैं, ऐसी बात रिकार्ड पर नहीं जानी चाहिए।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आप यहां पर सवाल कर सकते हैं, उस के बारे में रेलेवेंसी जज करना मेरा काम है। लेकिन आप मुझे कमिट नहीं करवा सकते कि आप चार चार मिनट बोलेंगे और आपको बीच में दखल न दिया जाय—मैं यह नहीं मानूंगा। आपका क्वेश्चन लम्बा हो जाय, चार मिनट के बजाय 8 मिनट हो जाय, इसको मान सकता हूं, लेकिन इस तरह से एलाउ करने के लिये मैं तैयार नहीं हूं।

But I am not prepared to allow you to ask irrelevant questions.

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : स्पीकर साहब, मेरी रिक्वेस्ट सुनिये। यहां अन-पार्लिया-मेन्ट्री अलफाज़ इस्तेमाल हो गये हैं—इन्हें उन अलफाज़ को वापस लेना चाहिये।

श्री रणधीर सिंह : विदड्रा हुए पांच मिनट हो गये हैं।

श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा : जो तरीके अकाली पंजाब में इस्तेमाल कर रहे हैं, इन का नतीजा यह होगा कि चण्डीगढ़ एक दिन कब्रिस्तान बन जायगा। 1947 के हालात पंजाब में फैलाये जाने वाले हैं। मैं होम मिनिस्टर साहब से पूछना चाहता हूं कि क्या यह गलत है कि.....

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : I would like that these words should not go on record. These are very explosive words. They will not do good to anybody. I would request the hon Miember not to use such words. For the sake of Punjab, don't use these words.

MR. SPEAKER : When the Home Minister has denied it, the question does no arise that you should repeat it again.

श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा : मैं बिल्कुल जिम्मेदारी से कह रहा हूं।

MR. SPEAKER : When the Minister has categorically said that they have denied such statements, why should you go on asking it ?

श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा : अध्यक्ष महोदय, जो चीज मैं हाउस के सामने रखना चाहता हूं उस का सवाल के साथ पूरा ताल्लुक है। सरदार बलवंत सिंह, फूड मिनिस्टर, पंजाब, का लुधियाना में 16 दिसम्बर का बयान है कि मरकजी सरकार चण्डीगढ़ पंजाब को दे दे, **और हरिआणा को कैपिटल के लिये दिल्ली देदें,** वरना फौजी बगावत हो जायेगी और यह भी कहा कि मरकजी सरकार पंजाब से 87 रुपये क्विंटल के हिसाब से चावल खरीदती है और 140 रुपये क्विंटल के हिसाब से दूसरे सूबों को बेचती है.....

MR. SPEAKER : The Minister has said that they have denied it. Why do you persist in it ?

श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा : आप मेरी बात सुनिये। अगर एक चीफ़ मिनिस्टर अपनी आंखें बन्दर कर लेता है तो हमारा यह सदन जो देश की 55 करोड़ जनता की नुमाइन्दगी करता है कैसे मान लेगा। एक चीफ़ मिनिस्टर तो एक कांस्टीचूऐन्सी से चुन कर आया है, मैं नहीं समझता कि एक चीफ़ मिनिस्टर की बात को इतना वज़न दिया जाय। यह सदन जो कि 55 करोड़ की नुमाइन्दगी करता है, उस की बात को कैसे मान ले। मैं आपके सामने फैक्ट रखना चाहता हूं।

चीफ़ मिनिस्टर सरदार गुरनाम सिंह ने 19 दिसम्बर को कहा है कि पंजाब में आन्ध्र जैसे हालात पैदा हो रहे हैं। जिस तरह से रामुलू की मौत हुई थी, उसी तरह पंजाब में होंगी। मरकज़ देश के टुकड़े-

टुकड़े करना चाहता है, एक दिन मरकज़ में कांग्रेस की सरकार टूट जायगी।

अकाली लीडर सरकार गुरदेव सिंह, एम०एल०ए० ने 17 दिसम्बर को मुक्तसर में कहा कि चण्डीगढ़ न मिलने की सूरत में मरकज़ की ईंट से ईंट बजा दी जायगी। सरकार अगर हमारे लीडरों को मरवाने पर तुली हुई है तो हमारा मरकज़ के साथ कोई ताल्लुक नहीं है .....

MR. SPEAKER : When he has said that they have denied it, what is the point in referring to it again ? I am not going to allow a debate on this. The Home Minister has categorically said that he has denied it; he has said that he had met him and he has said that he did not make any such statement, neither Shri Balwant Singh nor anybody else had made such a statement. Why is the hon. Member putting such things into their mouths ?

श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा : होम मिनिस्टर साहब उन के कहने पर यह बात कह रहे हैं, खुद अपनी तरफ़ से नहीं कह रहे हैं ! चीफ़ मिनिस्टर के कहने से 55 करोड़ का यह सदन इस बात को नहीं मानता है। हमारी .... **(व्यवधान)** .....

संत फतह सिंह जी ने अपनी 12 दिसम्बर की चिटठी में प्रधान मंत्री जी को लिखा है कि 26 दिसम्बर, 1966 को भारत सरकार ने सरदार हुकम सिंह जी की मारफत, जो उस वक्त यहां स्पीकर थे, जो भरोसे उन को दिलवाये थे, वे पूरे किये जाने चाहिये, नहीं तो 26 जनवरी को भूख हड़ताल कर के 1 फरवरी को मैं वहां पर मर जाऊंगा। इन हालात में मैं होम मिनिस्टर साहब से जानना चाहता हूं कि भारत सरकार ने 26 दिसम्बर, 1966 को सरदार हुकम सिंह की मारफत क्या भरोसे दिये थे ?

MR. SPEAKER : I do not allow it. That is not a relevant question.

SHRI GURCHARAN SINGH : This is not part of the main question.

MR. SPEAKER : The question on the Order Paper is :

> "whether it is a fact that some Ministers of Punjab have made provocative and threatening statements over the Chandigarh issue;".

The main question refers only to Ministers, and then it proceeds:

> "if so, the details thereof;"

Where does Sant Fateh Singh come in ? I am not going to allow anything outside the main question.

श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा : संत फतह सिंह का चण्डीगढ़ के साथ ताल्लुक है। आप बताइये कि चण्डीगढ़ के साथ सन्त फतह सिंह का ताल्लुक कैसे नहीं है ?

MR. SPEAKER : I am not going to allow it. The hon. Member must be relevant.

श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा : मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि इन सब सवालों के बाद वहां के मिनिस्टरों के दिमाग़ जिस तरफ चल रहे हैं और अकाली लीडरों का जो ड्रामा चल रहा है, इन सब ड्रामों की वजह से अगर सरकार यह फैसला कर रही है कि हर हालत में फैसला 1 फरवरी से पहले कर दिया जायगा तो क्या यह गलत नहीं है कि उन के प्रेशर में आ कर सरकार यह फैसला करना चाहती है ताकि संत फतह सिंह ...

MR. SPEAKER : No. The hon. Member may please sit down. I am not placing any arguments before him, but I am only asking him to be relevant to the main question, which is:

> "whether it is a fact that some Ministers of Punjab have made provocative and threatening statements over the Chandigarh issue";

Is there anybody else mentioned in the question ?

तो पहले मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि इन हालात में जबकि शाह कमीशन की रिपोर्ट है, हिन्दी स्पीकिंग एरिया है, एग्जामिनेशन लैंग्वेज हिन्दी है हिन्दी इलाके पर है, फिर आज जो मिनिस्टर या उनके गुरू चीफ मिनिस्टर स्टेटमेन्ट देते हैं कि अगर चण्डीगढ़ नहीं दिया तो दिल्ली को हिला देंगे फरीदाबाद को हिला देंगे ..... (व्यवधान) .....

अध्यक्ष महोदय : यह प्लेटफार्म नहीं है ... (व्यवधान) ....

श्री रणधीर सिंह : स्पीकर महोदय, आप लाईयर हैं और होम मिनिस्टर साहब लाईयर हैं। एक दफा आफेन्स हो गया तो साहब मैंने नहीं किया, यह तो प्ली है। देश की इंटेग्रिटी के खिलाफ चाहे मिनिस्टर चाहे जीवन सिंह या बलवन्त सिंह और चाहे अकाली एम० एल० ए०, अपने गुरदेवसिंह ने एक दफा स्टेटमैन्ट दे दिया और कह दिया ईंट से ईंट बजा देंगे, फौजों में गदर कर देंगे और मुल्क से अलग हो जायेंगे तो उनका आफेन्स कम्प्लीट हो चुका है। .... (व्यवधान) .... तो मैं आपकी मार्फत होम मिनिस्टर साहब से जानना चाहता हूं कि चीफ मिनिस्टर वकील बनकर आपके पास चले आये और देश के खिलाफ प्रचार किया तो उनका आफेन्स कम्प्लीट हो चुका है इसलिए क्या आप इसकी सी० बी० आई० से इंक्वायरी करायेंगे या नहीं ?

दूसरी बात यह कि मैं एक स्टेटमेन्ट पढ़ता हूं, लुधियाने के जिला परिषद् के प्रेसीडेन्ट हैं ज्ञानी अर्जुन सिंह और श्री गुप्ता, जनरल सेक्रटरी जिन्होंने कहा है कि अकाली लीडर श्री बलवन्त सिंह—मैं नाम बताता हूं— इन्होंने देश के साथ गद्दारी की है, इससे बुरा जुर्म नहीं है और उन्होंने कहा है कि 99 परसेन्ट सिख हमारे साथ हैं, उनकी तरफ से हम इसका खंडन करते हैं। मैं गवाह भी आपको दे रहा हूं। अखबारों में गवाहों के नाम दर्ज हैं। .... (व्यवधान) .... मैं आप से पूछना चाहता हूं कि कल को अगर हरयाणा का चीफ मिनिस्टर कहदे या रणधीर सिंह, एम० पी० कह दे कि अगर हमको चंडीगढ़ नहीं दिया जायेगा तो हम हरयाणिस्तान बनायेंगे, तो क्या आप उस बात को बर्दाश्त करेंगे ? लेकिन हम ऐसी बात कभी नहीं कहेंगे। अगर किसी के मुंह से ऐसी बात निकले तो आप उसकी जबान निकाल लीजिये, अगर आप तगड़े होम मिनिस्टर हैं। तो उन्होंने यह जुर्म किया है जिसका तमाम सिख भाइयों पर असर है और तमाम हरयाणा के भाइयों पर असर है।

एक बात मैं यह भी कहना चाहता हूं कि प्राइम मिनिस्टर को जो हमने लिखा है, एफ० आई० आर० मेरे नाम से है, मुझे भी मौका दिया जाय। पार्लमेन्ट के मेम्बर ने एक चीज दी है, एक कम्प्लेन्ट की है तो मुझे भी आप मौका क्यों नहीं देते ?

आखिरी बात यह है कि आपने खुद माना है कि आप पर कोई प्रेशर नहीं डालेगा। ऐसी हालत में यह जो सिसेशन की धमकी है और कहा जाता है कि ईंट से ईंट बजा देंगे क्या आप ऐसा सोचेंगे कि जब तक चीफ मिनिस्टर और सन्त फतेह सिंह सेल्फ इम्मोलेशन की धमकी वापस न लें आप अपना फैसला नहीं सुनायेंगे और अगर फैसला सुनाना चाहते हैं तो फिर जो शाह कमीशन की रिपोर्ट है उसको इम्प्लीमेन्ट करें पूरी तौर से वरना अगर आप कोई दूसरा फैसला करेंगे तो फिर यही समझा जायेगा कि आपने दबाव की वजह से वैसा किया है। तो क्या आप इस बात को कहने के लिये तैयार हैं ?

MR. SPEAKER : He must remember that this is not a debate hour, this is not a debate on the Chandigarh issue. It is a question about statements of Ministers.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : This was only a preamble to the question which did not come.

MR. SPEAKER : I am not able to make out any question from such a long speech.

श्री रणधीर सिंह : इससे ज्यादा शार्ट और मैं क्या कर सकता हूं । ..... (**व्यवधान**) ....

अध्यक्ष महोदय : सब पढ़े लिखे लोग हैं, थोड़ी सी रूल की रेलिवैन्सी भी देखनी चाहिए । ..... (**व्यवधान**) .....

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : I have repeated again and again that as far as the statements are concerned, the Chief Minister has said that his Ministers have denied them. He has also given me an assurance that he will see that no such statements are made. I think we should close the matter there. We shall accept the assurance of the Chief Minister in this matter, and there is no question of any inquiry etc. by us. About, the letter that he wrote to the Prime Minister a copy has been received by me.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH : What about Shri Gurnam Singh's statement which has appeared today ?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : I have not seen that.

DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH : In view of the fact that the problem of Chandigarh is getting complicated day by day, may I know whether Government will find an early solution of the problem, say, before 26th January?

MR. SPEAKER : This was a question only about certain statements by Ministers.

DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH : All that is about the problem of Chandigarh.

MR. SPEAKER : He has already replied.

DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH : No.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : About what?

DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH : In regard to the problem of Chandigarh.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : मैंने सुना नहीं । मैंने पहले यह कहा कि इसके बारे में गवर्नमेंट ने जो टाइम लिमिट है, वह बताई है । Government would decide this question before the budget session. This is the government statement.

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : मैं यह अर्ज करूंगा कि श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री ने भी सवाल किया और सप्लीमेन्टरी में यह पूछा क्या भारत सरकार चन्डीगढ़ में रेफ्रेन्डम कराने के लिये तैयार है और अगर हां, तो कब तक ? तो मैं होम मिनिस्टर साहब से जानना चाहूंगा कि क्या यह मुल्क के हक में जाएगा कि शहरों में रेफ्रेन्डम कराने की रवायत कायम की जाए .....

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : गोवा में हो चुका है ।

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : मैं होम मिनिस्टर साहब से गुजारिश करूंग कि क्या वे यह अश्योरेन्स दे सकते हैं कि जो चैलेंज रणधीर सिंह जी ने दी है कि चंडीगढ़ बसाने की जगह 70 फीसदी हिन्दी स्पीकिंग गांव उठाए गए हैं ..... मैं चौधरी साहब को चैलेंज के साथ कहता हूं कि इसके लिये टोटल गांव पंजाबी स्पीकिंग उठाए गए हैं । सारे रेकार्डस सरकार के पास मौजूद हैं । जिन्हें ले जाकर बैठाया गया है उनसे पूछा जाए और राय ली जाए । मैं उनके चलेंज को कबूल करता हूं । .....

रणधीर सिंह : मुझ उनका चैलेंज मंजूर है । कालका सबतहसील के यह सारे के सारे 42 गांव हरियाणा का हिस्सा हैं । 7 गांव खरड़ तहसील के हैं और 6 गांव ऐक्सटिंक्ट हैं जो कि 65 फीसदी हिन्दी स्पीकिंग हैं । यह सारे गांव हिन्दी स्पीकिंग हैं ।

MR. SPEAKER : I am not going to allow any further questions. If there is one irrelevant question and accusations are made further accusations and counter-accusations are made. I do not think it is in good taste.

श्री गुरचरण सिंह : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मेरा सवाल उनके सवालों में से निकला है जो कि उन्होंने किया था । मुझे भी सवाल पूछने का हक हो जाता है ।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : मैंने वह ऐलाऊ नहीं किया था ।

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : मेरा सवाल पूरा नहीं हुआ है, मुझे पूरा तो कर लेने दिया जाए ।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : इरैलेवैंट आग्युमैंट्स के ऊपर आप क्या सवाल कर रहे हैं ? अलबत्ता मिनिस्टर के ऊपर कोई सवाल हो तो कर लीजिय ।

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : चौधरी रणधीर सिंह ने जो सवाल किया और श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री ने जो सवाल उठाया उसके सिलसिले में मैं अर्ज़ करना चाहता था·····

अध्यक्ष महोदय : मैंने उनको भी टोक दिया था इसलिये मिनिस्टर के स्टेटमेंट के ऊपर अगर कोई सवाल करना हो तो माननीय सदस्य कर सकते हैं ।

श्री रामगोपाल शालवाले : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं गृह मंत्री महोदय से आपकी मार्फत निवेदन करना चाहता हूं कि अबोहर में यज्ञशाला को अपवित्र किया गया, गुंडों द्वारा पेशाब किया गया और लड़कियों के सामने गुंडों द्वारा वहां पर नंगा नाच किया गया है । यह सवाल यहां पर उठाया जा सकता है लेकिन आपने इजाजत नहीं दी हमको उठाने की । इस बारे में मैंने गृह मंत्री महोदय को चिट्ठी भी लिखी लेकिन उन्होंने मुझे कोई जवाब नहीं दिया···

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आर्डर, आर्डर, इस तरह से बगैर बुलाए माननीय सदस्य को उठ कर बोलना नहीं चाहिये ।

श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी : गृह मंत्री महोदय को इस पर स्थिति स्पष्ट करनी चाहिये और यहां हाउस में बयान देना चाहिये । उनको पत्र लिखा था लेकिन उन्होंने कोई जवाब नहीं दिया ।

श्री रामगोपाल शालवाले : मैंने होम मिनिस्टर साहब को चिट्ठी लिखी है उन्होंने जवाब नहीं दिया । इस तरह से यज्ञशाला का अपमान किया गया है, लड़कियों के सामने नंगा नाच किया गया है·····

MR. SPEAKER : I shall have to bring it to the notice of the House. This is not the way. May I take some action against him?

श्री रामगोपाल शालवाले : इस तरह से वहां पर यज्ञशाला को अपवित्र किया गया, उसे ढाया गया, गुंडों द्वारा पेशाब किया गया और लड़कियों के सामने नंगा नाच किया गया·····

MR. SPEAKER : Will he please resume his seat or not? This is the last day. I do not think that some unpleasantness should be created here. He is an hon. Member of the House. He is defying the Chair in spite of my request. It is very unfair.

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : मैं पूछ रहा था कि क्या होम मिनिस्टर साहब जो लोग वहां से उठाए गए हैं उनका रेकार्ड सरकार में····

अध्यक्ष महोदय : जब उनको इजाजत नहीं दी तो आपको कैसे दे सकता हूं ?

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : उधर से प्रावोकेटिव तकरीरें की गईं मैं होम मिनिस्टर साहब से पूछना चाहूंगा कि क्या उनको पता है कि रोहतक में एक मीटिंग की गई कि अबोहर के डी० ए० वी० कालेज में गड़बड़ कराई जाए और हिन्दू-सिक्ख फसाद कराया जाए ।

मैं अखबार में जो उनका बयान निकला है उसमें से यहां हवाला देते हुए कहना चाहता हूं कि जिस कमिशन के सामने उन लोगों ने यह बयान दिया था कि उनकी जबान हिन्दी है, आज पंजाब जनसंघ के प्रधान और साबिक फाइनेंस मिनिस्टर डा० बलदेव प्रकाश कहते हैं कि यह मर्दमशुमारी सन् 61 की गलत थी और वह महज़ सियासत पर मबनी थी । इस तरह से उस समय कमीशन के सामने अपना बयान देने वाले जब अपना बयान बदल चुके हैं और वह कहते हैं कि उनकी जबान दरअसल पंजाबी है·····

MR. SPEAKER : Sardar Gurcharan Singh is just a new Member of this House. I do not want that I should invite his attention to the rules because he has been an M.L.A. for so many years. I think you know the rules. This is not a supplementary question. I disallowed it in the case of Mr. Verma and I disallowed a part of it in the case of Mr. Shastri. What has gone wrong with this House? Nobody is relevant.....(*Interruptions*). If he wants to put any question about the statement made by the Minister, I shall allow him; otherwise not.

श्री गुरचरन सिंह : मैं स्पीकर साहब की मार्फत होम मिनिस्टर साहब से एक सवाल पूछना चाहता हूं कि क्या चंडीगढ़ का फैसला करते वक्त जो तकरीरें चंडीगढ़ को पंजाब में जाने के खिलाफ चौधरी साहब ने हाउस में की हैं, चूंकि उनको खदशा है कि मिडटर्म एलेक्शन जल्दी आ सकता है इसलिये वोट हासिल करने के लिये जो उस तरह की गलत तकरीरें उन्होंने की हैं उनको नजरअंदाज किया जाएगा या नहीं ?

श्री सूरज भान : अभी गृह मंत्री महोदय ने बताया कि चीफ मिनिस्टर पंजाब ने इस बात से इन्कार किया है कि पंजाब के उन मिनिस्टरों ने ऐसा स्टेटमेंट किया है । बदकिस्मती की बात है कि मिनिस्टर्स ऐसा स्टेटमेंट दे देते हैं और अखबार वाले जब उन्हें छाप देते हैं तो बाद में वह उससे इन्कार कर जाते हैं और मुकर जाते हैं तो गृह मंत्री महोदय के पास इस मामले के बारे में सेंट्रल सी० आई० डी० की रिपोर्ट क्या है जिससे मालूम हो सके कि वाकई उन मिनिस्टरों ने ऐसा कोई स्टेटमेंट दिया था या नहीं ?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : I have no report of the CBI on this matter.

श्री रघुवीर सिंह शास्त्री : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं एक व्यक्तिगत स्पष्टीकरण करने के लिये खड़ा हूं.....

MR. SPEAKER : I am still on the short-notice question. Personal explanation stage has not come. माननीय सदस्य अभी बैठ जाएं। यह शार्ट नोटिस क्वैश्चन खत्म हुआ। शार्ट नोटिस क्वैश्चन नम्बर 8 ।

DISBANDMENT OF NATIONAL FITNESS CORPS

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SNQ. 8. SHRI RAMAVATAR SHASTRI :
SHRI S. M. BANERJEE :
SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA :
SHRI S. M. JOSHI :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have taken a final decision to disband the National Fitness Corps;

(b) if so, whether this is going to affect 7,400 employees working under this organisation;

(c) whether their services will be treated as continuous when they are transferred to the State Governments; and

(d) whether the present emoluments and allowances will be duly protected under the State Governments ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V. K. R. V. RAO) : (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the table of the House.

Statement

The decision to decentralise the National Fitness Corps, whose number at present is 6,953, was taken as early as 1965. Since then the Government has been negotiating with the State Governments regarding the terms and conditions of transfer of the N. D. S. Instructors to the States. The terms which were decided earlier were not acceptable to the majority of the States. Government have, therefore, reconsidered the matter and have approved more liberal terms of transfer. Under the revised terms the Central Government would meet the full expenditure on the salary and allowances of the N.D.S. Instructors absorbed by the States for the entire Fourth Plan Period. The approved length of service in the Central Government would be taken into account in calculating increments in the State scales and for the next five years the difference in the total emoluments (pay and allowances) which they would receive from the Central Government just before their absorption in the State

service will be given as Personal Pay during the Fourth Plan Period. While these represent the basis of the financial arrangements between the Centre and the State Governments, the intention behind decentralisation is to transfer the Instructors to State Governments on a regular and permanent basis, the length of service being taken into account. When once State Governments assume the control of the Instructors they will be part of the State Services.

In the light of the above decisions, the matter has already been taken up with the State Governments and as part of the detailed arrangements of transfer to each State, the question of continued protection of present emoluments and allowances, whether the need arises, will be pursued with the concerned States.

श्री रामावतार शास्त्री : अध्यक्ष महोदय, यह जो नेशनल फिटनेस कौर्प्स को डिरबैंड करने का सरकार ने फैसला लिया है उसके मुताबिक 6,953 को डिसट्रलाइज करने का निश्चय केन्द्रीय सरकार ने सन् 1965 में ले लिया था । मंत्री महोदय ने अपने मौजूदा वक्तव्य में जो कि सभा-पटल पर रखा गया है यह कहा है कि यह तमाम एन० डी० एस० इंस्ट्रक्टर्स राज्यों में भेजे जाने वाले हैं । वक्तव्य में मंत्री महोदय द्वारा यह भी बतलाया गया है कि रिवाइज्ड टर्म्स में सेंट्रल गवर्नमेंट फोर्थ प्लान पीरियड के दौरान ऐसे तमाम एन० डी० एस० इंस्ट्रक्टर्स की तनख्वाहों और भत्तों आदि पर आने वाला तमाम खर्चा वहन करेगी । लेकिन उन्होंने यह बात नहीं कही कि उन तमाम लोगों को राज्य सरकारें नौकरी में बहाल करेंगी या नहीं । उन्होंने महज यह कहा है कि जो लोग ऐबसौर्ब किये जायेंगे उन्हें यह तनख्वाहें और भत्ते आदि देंगे । इसका मतलब यह है कि तमाम लोग एबसौर्ब नहीं किये जाने हैं । इसलिय मेरा पहला सवाल है कि क्या सरकार इस सदन को स्पष्ट तरीके से यह बताएगी कि तमाम के तमाम लोग जिन्हें कि राज्यों में भेजा जाएगा वह वहां पर एबसौर्ब किये जाऐंगे और क्या उस सम्बन्ध में केन्द्रीय सरकार राज्य सरकारों को इस तरह का आदेश भेजेगी ?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : After the Government of India took a decision that the entire salary allowances of the instructors would be paid during the entire Fourth Plan period, the very next day a meeting was held in Delhi of Education Secretaries of the various States who had come here in some other connection. The general feeling expressed in that meeting was that in view of the very liberal terms offered by the Government of India, there is very possibility of all these persons being taken. Now we have addressed formal letters to the State Governments. I also propose sending my officers to the State capitals to explain and discuss the whole thing personally, so that there may be no misunderstanding and no time is lost. We have asked them to send us their reply by 31st January or at the latest by 28th February. We will make every attempt to see that these gentlemen are all absorbed by the States. If we find that some people are not absorbed, then we will review the question again as far as those people are concerned.

श्री रामावतार शास्त्री : जहां तक मुझे मालूम है जो नान-मैट्रिक उसमें काम करते हैं उनको सर्विस में न लिये जाने का फैसला सरकार ने किया है । मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या यह बात सही है कि इस प्रकार का फैसला किया गया है । अगर सही है तो क्या इस निर्णय को बदलने के लिये सरकार तैयार है ताकि नान-मैट्रिक लोगों को भी राज्य सरकारें नौकरी में रख लें ? पन्द्रह-पन्द्रह सालों से वह नान-मैट्रिक इंस्ट्रक्टर काम कर रहे हैं । अगर इस तरह की बात हुई तो नान-मैट्रिक लोगों के सामने बेकारी की समस्या आ जाएगी । मंत्री महोदय यह भी बतलाएं कि नान-मैट्रिक लोगों की तादाद क्या है ?

DR. V. K R. V. RAO : There are 328 non-matriculates. The hon. member is quite right in his apprehension that the State Governments may not be prepared to absorb them. We are therefore also considering the possibilities of alternative ways by which they could be absorbed either in the central schools or in some other organisations.

श्री रामावतार शास्त्री : नान-मैट्रिक लोगों के बारे में मंत्री महोदय ने कुछ नहीं कहा है ।

मैंने पूछा था कि क्या उनको नौकरी में नहीं रखा जाने वाला है यह बात सही है। अगर ऐसी बात है तो वह इसको कंट्रैडिक्ट करें।

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I have just answered it. I said there are 328 non-matriculates also and there is a possibility of the State Governments not absorbing them. While we are trying to get the State Governments absorb them, we are also considering what we could do to provide them with alternative employment.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : I have carefully read the statement and the assurance given by the minister. The question before us is that 7400 employees are either being sent to the State Governments if they are accepted or they are going to lose their jobs. This scheme is known as the decentralisation scheme, but in actual practice, it is being disbanded. I would like to know from the minister whether there is any truth in the rumour that the organisation is going to be disbanded from 1st January, 1970 and notices are being served on the individuals either to go to the State Governments on whatever terms and conditions are offered or to accept to retrenchment compensation. Let the minister allay this fear lurking in the minds of the employees

Secondly, I want to know whether this question will be discussed in the House before taking a final decision, because many of us feel that this scheme is necessary at the centre. The minister may be able to convince me. Therefore, let the House get an opportunity to discuss it. Prof. D. C. Sharma raised this question; today he is not here. We know that many other hon. members including the present Deputy Minister of Education are interested in it. I request the minister to allow a discussion in the House.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : About the first question, to the best of my knowledge, no such decision could have been taken that it will be disbanded from 1st January, 1970, because we are communicating with the State Governments and they have to send their final replies by 28th February.

Regarding a full discussion again on this subject, I am afraid a decision has been taken many years ago and I do not think it will be possible for Government to have another discussion on the subject here.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : By questions and answers we cannot have a real discussion. I know he is very sympathetic to this scheme. Otherwise, it would have been disbanded long ago. We should be given an opportunity to express our views. When this was created by General Bhonsle, everybody admired him. When any foreign dignitary visited this country the two things which interested him were the National Fitness Corps and the National Physical Laboratories. Now the National Fitness Corps seems to have become a superfluous thing. Sir, I would like to crave your indulgence for a full discussion on this subject, at least during the next session. Even the Prime Minister has assured the ladies who were there on this subject. So, I would say that there should be a discussion.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I may assure the House that I am subject to the direction of the Prime Minister. Whatever decision she takes on the subject, I will carry it out as the Education Minister.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : The hon. Minister says that there is no need for another discussion because the decision was taken a long time ago. May I remind him that this decision, when it was originally taken, to decentralise the National Fitness Corps he was not there then—that was a unilateral decision by the Ministry of Education and subsequently a question was raised as to whether it would be possible to integrate the National Fitness Corps with the National Physical Education Scheme and the NCC and have some sort of integrated Central scheme? In view of this, does he think that there is no scope at all for reconsideration and discussion on these lines? Secondly, sometime ago each of the individual instructors was asked to exercise his option as to whether he is prepared to go to the States or not and, if not, what his difficulties are. I would like to know what has happened to that exercise of option by the instructors. Are the transfer notices that are now being served on them in conformity with the options exercised by them?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : As far as the first question is concerned, according to my information the decision was discussed with the representatives of the State Govern-

ments. As a result of what was called the Kunzru Committee Report, there were three different schemes in the schools in this country—the programme of physical education, the national fitness corps which we are discussing just now and the auxiliary cadet corps. The decision was that all these three should be integrated and made into one broad scheme and applied to all the high schools by progressive stages during the Fourth Plan period. This proposal was discussed with the State representatives and it was accepted by them. It was in the light of this that this decision was taken that 7,000 odd people who are paid by the Centre but are actually working in the States, who are in position in the States and working in the States, that this position has to be changed. I think for us now once again to take up the question whether the Centre should have its own people working in the States in schools, I do not see how we can discuss this question in the House. If I were to venture to express a personal opinion, and I am doing that with a certain amount of trepidation, this being a State subject, it is not very wise on the part of the Central Government to have its own employees working under the State Governments on a State subject. I think the decision taken was the correct constitutional position that it should be decentralised and it should be transferred to the State Governments. We have said that we will do it over a period of the next five years. To make it easy for the employees we have said that we will protect whatever pay they are getting just now.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : What about the second part of the question, the option that the instructors were asked to exercise.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I will find out the position.

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL : The hon. Minister has just now stated that this scheme is going to be decentralised and the employees will be absorbed in the State cadre. But some of the State Governments are finding it difficult to absorb some of the members of the National Fitness Corps because they are non-matriculates and so not qualified for those posts in the respective cadres in the States. What is the solution before the Education Ministry to deal with such cases?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I thought that the question about the non-matrics had been asked previously and I had said that there were 328 persons who were non-matrics and it was quite possible that the States might refuse to absorb them. There are only two cadres—one for graduates and the other for under-graduates, which includes the matrics. In case the States do not take them, we are trying to explore in what way we can find alternative work for them.

DR. RANEN SEN : Some time back we were told that certain State Governments were objecting to the absorption of this cadre of the National Fitness Corps. Which are the State Governments which are still objecting to it and what steps is the Government of India taking to persuade or convince them to accept this cadre?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : It was because many State Governments objected mainly on the financial ground that this matter was taken up again by the Education Ministry with Finance and the Cabinet. Now we have announced these new terms. They are under discussion with the State Governments and I will not be in a position yet to say whether still any State Government wants to refuse to take on this thing.

श्री मधु लिमये : मंत्री महोदय ने फरमाया है कि जो विषय राज्य के दायरे में आते हैं उस विषय को लेकर जो योजना बनती है, उसमें काम करने वाले जो कर्मचारी हैं वे केन्द्र के तहत कैसे रहेंगे। जब वह कोई योजना बनाते हैं और उसको दस-पंद्रह साल तक चलाते हैं, सेंट्रल गवर्नमेंट लोगों को भरती करती है और बाद में जब उनकी उम्र बढ़ जाती है तो इस तरह से कहना कि हमारे दायरे में नहीं है, इसलिये हम उनको हवा में छोड़ रहे हैं, यह कहां तक उचित है ? क्या मंत्री महोदय आश्वासन देंगे कि भविष्य में इस तरह की योजनाएं जब वह बनाएंगे तो पहले इसके बारे में ठीक तरह फैसला करेंगे कि यह राज्यों के दायरे में आती है या केन्द्र के दायरे में ताकि जिन लोगों की उम्र 40–45 साल की तब तक हो जाए, उनको हवा में छोड़ने की नौबत न आए ? क्या मंत्री महोदय इसका खुलासा करेंगे ?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : When I expressed my personal opinion, it was not intended for the disposal of any particular case. I have already instructed officers of my Ministry that in future we should not propose or formulate any scheme of a kind where it is a State subject and not a Central subject.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA : In view of the fact that the services of the National Fitness Corps were appreciated by the Kunzru Committee, the Deshmukh Committee, the Education Commission as also the Central Advisory Committee on Physical Education, I want to know, firstly, whether the same programme and effectiveness of the programme will be assured when it is transferred to the States and, secondly, whether the benefits that accrue to those who are serving in this Corps being Central Government servants will be given to them when they are absorbed in the State services.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : Regarding the first question, namely, whether the efficiency of the service will be maintained, we are proceeding on the assumption that the State Governments are as efficient as the Central Government in regard to maintaining the services with which they are concerned. I hope, that assumption is not disputed.

Regarding the benefits and so on, whatever salaries and allowances they are getting today are guaranteed but they will not continue to be Central Government servants; they will become State Government servants.....(*Interruption*).

SHRI SAMAR GUHA : My question has not been answered. I asked about all benefits that accrue to them by virtue of their being Central Government servants .....(*Interruption*). Many of them have served as Central Government servants for 15 years or so. They lose all the benefits that accrue to them. The mere salary and allowances are not the main thing. They lose many other benefits that accrue to them.....(*Interruption*).

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : That has not been answered. They will lose all the benefits, the seniority and other things.

MR. SPEAKER : Order, Order. I am not allowing it. No more interruptions please.

SHRI K. NARAYANA RAO : Sir, from the various answers given by the hon. Minister, it would be evident that, first of all, the Central Government had appointed these various people and they treated them as Central Government servants. Now, the hon. Minister has informed us that, all of a sudden, they realised that this was a State subject and, therefore, they are putting the responsibility of absorbing them on the State Governments. I would like to know for what reasons you are putting the responsibility on the State Governments to absorb them having known pretty well that you yourselves appointed them as Central Government servants. The hon. Minister stated that it is benefitial to the State Governments. I would like to bring to his notice that the Central Government does not exist in a vacuum. It consists of various States. Therefore, whatever benefits accrue to the States, it will benefit the Centre also.

I would like to have an assurance from the hon. Minister. Having appointed these various persons as Central Government servants, is it not his responsibility to absorb them without waiting for the State Governments to agree to absorb them?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : As far as the first part of the question is concerned, it is not a sudden realisation on the part of anybody to bring about this change. This was done as a result of the Kunzru Committee's Report and the recommendations were accepted. The Government is trying its best to see to what extent not only the present pay and allowances but also the other privileges are protected.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : What about seniority?

MR. SPEAKER : We now take up the Call Attention Notice. No more questions. We dispensed with the Question Hour today but still this has taken all the time.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Setting up of Ancillary Industrial Units around Public Sector Undertakings

*751. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any decision to set up special ancillary industrial units in a big way around public sector undertakings in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) No such specific decision has been taken.

(b) Does not arise.

Demand for Shuttle Service between Delhi and Faridabad

*752. SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the public of Faridabad has represented for starting some shuttle trains between Delhi and Faridabad for carrying employees to and from Delhi; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes, sir, a request has been received recently from Rail Travellers Welfare Association, Faridabad, for (i) a train to arrive New Delhi at about 10·00 hrs. and (ii) stoppage of 15 Dn/16 Up GT/AC Express at Faridabad in lieu of 21 Dn/22 Up Dakshin Express.

(b) While the stoppage of 16 Up GT/AC Express in lieu of 22 Up Express has been provided at Faridabad, it has not been possible to meet their demand for introduction of an additional morning train due to passage difficulty on account of concentration of Passenger trains arriving Delhi during the morning grouping. Demand for the additional train would be reviewed as soon as additional facilities which have been programmed become available.

Agreement with U.S.S.R. for Designing Steel Plants

*753. SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR : DR. RANEN SEN :

Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have entered into an agreement with the U.S.S.R. for designing in India all the Steel Plants to be set up in future; and

(b) if so, the terms of the agreement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) and (b). Hindustan Steel Limited has initiated an agreement with TIAOPROMEXPORT U.S.S.R. in November 1969 for technical assistance for designing iron and steel plants. The agreement is, at present, under the consideration of the Government as it is subject to Government clearance.

Disparity of Votes in different Parliamentary Constituencies of Delhi

*754. SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that while the South Delhi Parliamentary Constituency had over three and a half lakh votes in 1967, the walled city and New Delhi Constituencies had less than two lakh votes;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this disparity has further increased during the last three years because of new residential colonies which have come up in South Delhi;

(c) whether it is also a fact that this disparity is reflected in the Metropolitan Council and the Delhi Municipal Corporation constituencies falling in these Parliamentary Constituencies as well; and

(d) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken to end this disparity before the next Elections to the Municipal Corporation, Metropolitan Council and Parliament?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) No, Sir. Only the electorate of Chandni Chowk

Parliamentary constituency was a little less than two lakhs (194,661).

(b) and (c). It will be possible to say whether this so-called disparity has increased during the last three years only on the completion of the current revision of the electoral rolls of the parliamentary constituencies in the Union territory of Delhi.

(d) The next delimitation and readjustment of parliamentary constituencies, as well as metropolitan council constituencies will be possible only after the population figures of the 1971-census are published. Therefore, the newly delimited constituencies on the basis of 1971—census figures will be available only at the time of the 1977 General Election.

SETTING UP OF BANNED INDUSTRIES IN SMALL SCALE SECTOR

*755. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government allow any entrepreneur to set up an industry in large-scale sector which has been placed by them on the 'Rejection list' after taking into consideration all the pros and cons;

(b) if so, the circumstances in which it could be allowed and the policy being pursued in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that many entrepreneurs have set up such banned industries in small-scale sector circumventing the ban imposed on such industries in large-scale sector;

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government to prevent entrepreneurs in setting up banned industries in small-scale sector; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e). There is no legal provision to prevent the setting up of a small scale unit in banned industries. If such units are set up, they are not given Government assistance by way of imported raw materials and components or indigenous scarce raw materials etc.

EXPANSION OF ALLOY AND STEEL PLANT, DURGAPUR

*756. SHRI VASUDEVAN NAIR: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to expand the Alloy and Steel Plant at Durgapur;

(b) if so, what are the proposed schemes;

(c) whether there is any proposal to have foreign collaboration for this purpose; and

(d) if so, the names of countries approached by Government so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) to (d). Expansion of Alloy Steel Plant at Durgapur is currently under the consideration of the Government. There is not proposal for any foreign collaboration although import of some machinery may be necessary. No country has been approan ched by Government.

LEGISLATION TO REPLACE OLD BRITISH STATUTES AFFECTING CHRISTIANS IN INDIA

*757. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the affairs of the Indian Christians in India are still regulated by the old British laws;

(b) whether it is also a fact that in its Fifth Report, the Law Commission of India referred to the subject in respect of which legislation by Parliament appeared to be *prima facie* necessary in order to replace the British Statutes;

(c) if so, why even after twenty-two years of Independence no steps have been taken to replace the old out-dated and anti-national laws affecting the Christians in India; and

(d) whether Government will fix a target date by which a suitable legislation could be put before Parliament to replace the colonial British laws?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) The

affairs of the Christians in India are mainly regulated by Indian Statutes.

(b) and (c). No Sir; what the Law Commission has recommended is the consideration of the question whether any legislation is necessary with regard to the statutes specified in the said Report.

(d) Does not arise.

दिल्ली लोको-मैकेनिकल स्टाफ एसोसियेशन (उत्तर रेलवे) द्वारा ज्ञापन

*758. **श्री रामावतार शास्त्री** : क्या **रेलवे** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उत्तर रेलवे के दिल्ली लोको-मैकेनिकल स्टाफ एसोसियेशन ने अपनी मांगों के सम्बन्ध में दिल्ली शैड के फोरमैन को अक्तूबर अथवा नवम्बर में एक ज्ञापन दिया था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) क्या सरकार अथवा रेलवे प्रशासन ने उन पर विचार कर लिया है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उनकी उन पर क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मैनन) : (क) जी हां, 17-11-1969 को ।

(ख) इन मांगों में चौथी श्रेणी के कर्मचारियों की पदोन्नति, वर्दी की सप्लाई, बुनियादी दस्तकारों की पदोन्नति, चिकित्सा की सुविधा, क्वार्टरों का अनुरक्षण आदि शामिल हैं ।

(ग) और (घ). रेल प्रशासन इस सम्बन्ध में जांच करवा रहा है और मामले के गुणावगुण के अनुसार उपयुक्त कार्रवाई की जाएगी ।

अस्पृश्यता (अपराध) अधिनियम, 1969 में संशोधन

*759. **श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी :**
श्री यज्ञ दत्त शर्मा :
श्री जगन्नाथ राव जोशी :
श्री शारदा नन्द :
श्री बृज भूषण लाल :

क्या **विधि तथा समाज कल्याण मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या अस्पृश्यता (अपराध) अधिनियम, 1955 को अधिक प्रभावी बनाने के लिये उसमें कोई उपयुक्त संशोधन करने का विचार है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और उस संशोधन को सदन के सामने किस तारीख को लाने की सम्भावना है ?

विधि मन्त्रालय और समाज कल्याण विभाग में राज्य मन्त्री (डा० (श्रीमती) फूलरेणु गुह) : (क) और (ख). अस्पृश्यता (अपराध) अधिनियम, 1955 को अधिक प्रभावी बनाने के लिये उसमें संशोधन करने के प्रश्न पर सक्रियता से विचार किया जा रहा है । आशा है कि संशोधक विधेयक संसद् के अगले सत्र में पेश कर दिया जाएगा ।

ACCESS ROAD TO PATHARDIH COAL WASHERY OF HINDUSTAN STEEL LTD.

*760. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU :
SHRI MOHAMMAD ISMAIL :
SHRI BHAGABAN DAS :
SHRI UMANATH :
SHRI GANESH GHOSH :

Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Pathardih Coal Washery under the Hindustan Steel Ltd. has got no proper access road to the Washery for which the employees of the Washery and the general public suffer extremely;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a plan to build an access road was prepared in the year 1959-60;

(c) if so, the reasons why no access road has been constructed till date; and

(d) what steps, if any, are being taken in this connection?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) Pathardih Coal Washery of Hindustan Steel Ltd. has already an access road which is across a level crossing of Pathardih Railway Marshalling Yard. There is also another access road through the Railway tunnel. This access road through the Railway tunnel is, however, narrow and trucks cannot pass through it, although motor cars and jeeps regularly use this road in preference to the road through the Marshalling yard.

(b) to (d). Hindustan Steel Ltd. have also got plans to have another access road for which tenders have been invited. The tenders are expected to be finalised in the near future.

"हैवी इलैक्ट्रिकल्स लिमिटेड, भोपाल" को हुई हानी

*761. **श्री रघुबीर सिंह शास्त्री** क्या **औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि हैवी इलैक्ट्रिकल्स लिमिटेड, भोपाल को 1967-68 में हुई हानि इस कम्पनी की प्रदत्त पूंजी का 77.6 प्रतिशत है;

(ख) वर्ष 1968-69 में इस कम्पनी के कार्यकरण के क्या परिणाम हैं;

(ग) 1968-69 के लिये उत्पादन लक्ष्य क्या थे और वे कहां तक पूरे हुए हैं तथा 1969-70 के लिये निर्धारित किये गए उत्पादन लक्ष्य क्या हैं; और

(घ) इस कम्पनी के कार्य-संचालन में सुधार करने के लिये क्या उपाय किये जा रहे हैं ?

औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) हैवी इलैक्ट्रिकल्स (इण्डिया) लि० को 1967-68 तक 37.9 करोड़ रु० की कुल हानि हुई जो कम्पनी की 50 करोड़ रुपये की प्रदत्त पूंजी का 76 प्रतिशत के लगभग बनती है ।

(ख) और (ग). 1968-69 में कम्पनी के उत्पादन में गत वर्ष की अपेक्षा तैयार माल के मूल्य में पर्याप्त वृद्धि हुई जो लगभग 42 प्रतिशत थी । 1968-69 में कम्पनी के तैयार माल की कीमत 20.95 करोड़ रुपये थी जो उस वर्ष के लिये निर्धारित 22 करोड़ रु० के लक्ष्य का 95 प्रतिशत था । वर्ष 1969-70 के लिये तैयार माल का लक्ष्य 31.53 करोड़ रु० निर्धारित किया गया है ।

(घ) उत्पादन कार्यक्रम तथा कम्पनी को हुई हानियों को इस तथ्य को ध्यान में रखते हुए देखना चाहिये कि इस प्रकार की विशाल परियोजना में तथा जटिल उपकरणों के निर्माण की व्यवस्था करने में अनिवार्य रूप से काफी समय लगता है, जिसमें उत्पादन क्षमता तथा प्रवीणता धीरे-धीरे ही आती है । चूंकि ऐसे संयंत्रों में बहुत अधिक पूंजी लगती है और पहले पांच वर्षों में अधिक हानि होना अपरिहार्य है । गत वर्ष इस उपक्रम का उत्पादन काफी संतोषजनक था तथा इस संयंत्र के उत्पादन एवं उत्पादिता दोनों में सुधार करने के लिये निरन्तर विभिन्न उपाय किये गए और किये जा रहे हैं । अन्य बातों के साथ-साथ इन उपायों में विभिन्न अन्य कदम ये हैं :—

(1) उत्पादन बढ़ाने के लिये निर्माण प्रविधियों में सुधार करना;

(2) व्यय पर और अधिक कड़े नियंत्रण का सुनिश्चय करना;

(3) संयंत्र तथा उपकरणों का अधिक प्रभावी प्रयोग करना एवं ऐसी वस्तुओं को निर्माण के लिये चुनना जिनसे अधिकतम आय हो सके ।

मार्च, 1955 में श्रम उत्पादिता में सुधार करने हेतु एक प्रोत्साहन योजना लागू की गई थी जो संयंत्र के विभिन्न उत्पादन सेक्शनों में धीरे-धीरे लागू की जा रही है ।

INCORPORATION OF UNIVERSAL DESIGNS

*762. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a new public limited company styled as Universal Designs has been incorporated in New Delhi recently;

(b) what are the proposed business lines of this company;

(c) whether any American national or Indian origin is behind the promotion of this company; and

(d) whether any former Additional Secretary to the Union Government is still connected with this company?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) No company styled as Universal Designs has been registered under the Companies Act, 1956 in Delhi. However, a company by the name of Universal Design Systems (India) Pvt. Ltd. was registered under the Act in Delhi on the 5th September, 1969.

(b) The principal line of business of the company as stated in its Memorandum of Association is to function as Industrial and Technical Consultants.

(c) One of the promoters of the Company, Shri A. K. Bahn is an American National of Indian origin.

(d) Shri S.K. Kanjilal, one of the directors of the company was a Senior Member of the P. & T. Board and ex-officio Additional Secretary to Government.

ALLOTMENT OF STEEL TO SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES

*763. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government, in making allotment of steel to small-scale industries, are guided by any yardstick which is based on the capacity of the respective unit and its potency for production;

(b) whether in the absence of any such yardstick, the need of the small-scale industry is affected seriously; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to undertake, such a study and, if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) and (b). Allocations of scarce categories of steel are made by the Joint Plant Committee and not by Government. In respect of small scale industries bulk allocations are made by this Committee to the Development Commissioner, Small Scale Industries who in his turn makes allocations to the State Directors of Industries. The JPC's allocation to the Commissioners is on the basis of the allocations made and actually utilised by the latter in the previous year. It is, however, open to the State Directors to distribute the bulk allocations received by them to the units in their States in any manner they consider fit.

(c) There is no proposal at present to undertake a study in this regard.

JANHIT TRUST

*764. SHRI RAM SWARUP VIDYARTHI :
SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA :
SHRI RAM SINGH AYARWAL:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state the net loss or profit of the Janhit which publishes the "National Herald" in the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : The Janhit Trust is not a company registered under the Companies Act. Hence the information asked for, relating to the trust, is not available with the Department.

ADIVASI TEA-WORKERS OF ASSAM

*765. SHRI HEM BARUA : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Adivasi tea-workers of Assam are proposed to be brought under

the general purview of benefits for Adivasis in the country; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA): (a) and (b). The matter was considered by the Joint Committee on the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Orders (Amendment) Bill, 1967, and has submitted its Report to the House on the 17th November, 1969.

भारत में बनी सिगरेटों के पैकिटों पर विदेशों के नाम

*766. श्री रामगोपाल शालवाले :
श्री नारायण स्वरूप शर्मा :
श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी :
श्री रणजीत सिंह :

क्या औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि विदेशी सहयोग से सिग्रेट बनाने वाली कम्पनियां अपनी सिग्रेटों के पैकिटों पर भारत की बजाय विदेशों के नाम मुद्रित करती हैं ताकि भारतीय उपभोक्ता उन्हें भूल से आयातित समझें, और इससे भारतीय कम्पनियों को धक्का पहुंचता है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार का विचार भारत में सिग्रेट बनाने वाली सभी कम्पनियों को यह निर्देश देने का है कि वे इस जालसाजी को समाप्त करने की दृष्टि से अपने सिग्रेट पैकिटों पर 'मेड इन इण्डिया' मुद्रित करें; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) विदेशी सहयोग से सिग्रेटों का उत्पादन करने वाली कम्पनियों द्वारा सिग्रेट के पैकेटों पर निर्माण करने वाले देश के गलत नाम छापने में बारे में इस मंत्रालय को कोई शिकायत उपलब्ध नहीं हुई है ।

(ख) और (ग). 28 अप्रैल, 1962 को जारी की गई अधिसूचना के अनुसार सभी वस्तुओं पर जिनमें सिग्रेट भी सम्मिलित हैं उनका मूल उत्पादन स्थान दिखाना आवश्यक है । इस अधिसूचना के अनुसार भारत में बने, निर्मित्त अथवा उत्पादित सिग्रेट पैकेटों पर देश में बिक्री के समय यह अंकित होता है कि यह भारत में बने, निर्मित तथा उत्पादित हैं ।

रेलवे कर्मचारियों पर आक्रमण

*767. श्री शिव कुमार शास्त्री : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उन विशिष्ट क्षेत्रों के क्या नाम हैं जहां पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान रेलवे कर्मचारियों पर आक्रमण की घटनाएं हुईं;

(ख) क्या इन घटनाओं में कुछ रेलवे कर्मचारी मारे गए थे; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इन क्षेत्रों में रेलवे कर्मचारियों की सुरक्षा के लिये क्या प्रबन्ध किये जा रहे हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन): (क) पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान सभी रेलों में भिन्न-भिन्न स्थानों पर, रेल कर्मचारियों पर हमले किये जाने की घटनाएं घटित हुई हैं;

(ख) जी हां ।

(ग) रेल परिसर तथा रेल गाड़ियों में कानून और व्यवस्था बनाए रखने की जिम्मेदारी राज्य सरकारों/राज्य सरकारी रेलवे पुलिस की है । सरकारी रेलवे पुलिस के साथ हर समय निकट समन्वय रखा जाता है और जब गम्भीर अपराध की कोई घटना घटित होती है और किसी क्षेत्र या गाड़ी विशेष में आपराधिक गतिविधियां बढ़ जाती हैं, तो

उपचारात्मक उपाय करने के लिये तत्काल उनका ध्यान उस ओर आकर्षित किया जाता है ।

2. यार्डों या स्टेशन प्लेटफार्मों पर रेल सम्पत्ति की रक्षा के लिये ड्यूटी पर लगाए गए रेलवे सुरक्षा दल के कर्मचारियों को इस बात की कड़ी हिदायतें दी गई हैं कि रेल कर्मचारियों अथवा यात्रियों आदि पर हिंसात्मक हमले होने की दशा में वे तुरन्त अपराध-स्थल पर जाएं और पीड़ित व्यक्तियों को सभी सम्भव मदद दें ।

भिलाई इस्पात कारखाने के शिक्षा विभाग में अनियमितताओं

*768. **श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री** क्या **इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या शिक्षक संघ ने भिलाई इस्पात कारखाने के पर्सोनल मैनेजर को उक्त कारखाने के शिक्षा विभाग में व्याप्त भ्रष्टाचार तथा अनियमितताओं के बारे में एक ज्ञापन पेश किया था;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि उक्त कारखाने के शिक्षा अधिकारी उपरोक्त सभी अनियमितताओं को दबाना चाहते हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार का विचार एक निष्पक्ष अधिकारी द्वारा उक्त ज्ञापन में उल्लिखित अनियमितताओं की जांच कराने का है ताकि उपरोक्त विभाग से भ्रष्टाचार को दूर किया जा सके ?

इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र) : (क) मिश्र इस्पात कारखाने के प्रबंधक वर्ग से प्राप्त हुई सूचना के अनुसार ऐसा एक ज्ञापन पेश किया गया था ।

(ख) जी, नहीं ।

(ग) जी नहीं, क्योंकि इस मामले का संबंध एक स्वायत्तशासी उपक्रम के आन्तरिक प्रशासन से है ।

दुर्गापुर इस्पात कारखाने में क्षमता से कम उत्पादन

*769. **श्री महाराज सिंह भारती** : क्या इस्पात तथा भारी इंजिनियरिंग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि फालतू पुर्जों की कमी के कारण, जो कठिनाई से और काफी देरी से मिलते हैं, दुर्गापुर इस्पात कारखाने में उत्पादन उसकी क्षमता से बहुत कम है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है कि भविष्य में फालतू पुर्जे आसानी से उपलब्ध हो सकें और उनका देश में ही निर्माण हो; और

(ग) यदि पम्प आदि जैसे पुर्जों को बदलना पड़े तो क्या उनका निर्माण देश में ही किया जा सकता है ?

इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र पन्त) : (क) दुर्गापुर इस्पात कारखाने के उत्पादन में कमी का एक कारण फालतू पुर्जों की कमी है ।

(ख) जहां तक आयातित पुर्जों का संबंध है लगभग 473 लाख रुपये के पुर्जों के लिये आर्डर दे दिये गए हैं। ये पुर्जे एक वर्ष में दो किश्तों में सप्लाई किये जाने हैं। लगभग 290 लाख रुपये के फालतू पुर्जों का आयात करने का प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन है । साथ ही इस्पात कारखाने में आयात प्रतिस्थापन कक्ष भी खोला गया है । प्लान डिजाइन विभाग को भी सबल बनाया गया है जिससे देश में अधिकाधिक फालतू पुर्जे बनाने के लिये अतिरिक्त ड्राइंग्स बनाए जा सकें । इन फालतू पुर्जों के बनाने के लिये देशीय निर्माताओं को प्रोत्साहन किया जा रहा है और उन्हें उनकी इच्छानुसार तकनीकी ज्ञान तथा ड्राइंग्स उपलब्ध कराए जा रहे हैं ।

(ग) जी हां; तकनीकी विकास के महानिदेशक की सहमति से केवल कुछ विशेष प्रकार के पम्पों का आयात किया जाता है ।

SOCIAL WELFARE WORK BY CENTRAL INSTITUTE OF RESEARCH AND TRAINING IN PUBLIC COOPERATION

*770. SHRI K. ANIRUDHAN : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Institute of Research and Training in Public Cooperation has been asked to do some social welfare work;

(b) if so, the amount so far given to the Institute and the social programmes so far arranged by it; and

(c) whether this work cannot be done by the Central Social Welfare Board?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA) : (a) The Central Institute of Research and Training in Public Cooperation has been set up to aid voluntary agencies and help maximise peoples participation in the Development Programmes of the country through various Programmes of Training Research and Publication.

(b) The grants given to the Institute so far are as follows :—

(1) 1966-67 .. Rs. 2,16,343·73

(2) 1967-68 .. Rs. 3,42,641·30

(3) 1968-69 .. Rs. 4,09,882·76

(4) 1969-70 (upto 30-9-69) Rs. 2,40,436·80

The institute has conducted so far 26 Training and Orientation Programmes, organised 6 seminars, 14 Research Studies, published 9 publications and has undertaken 31 evaluations since September, 1966.

(c) No, Sir.

LACK OF ORDERS FOR CEMENT MACHINERY MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

*771. SHRI ISHAQ SAMBHALI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Cement machinery manufacturing industry has received only a few orders for their machinery in the last two years;

(b) whether the industry is likely to face the prospect of idle capacity due to the lack of orders for Cement machinery; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to ensure full utilisation of the existing capacity in the industry?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) to (c). The Cement Machinery Manufacturers received 3 complete orders for supply of cement plants during 1968 and 1969. All the existing Cement Machinery Manufacturers have set up well-integrated heavy engineering workshops and are in a position to take up the manufacture of other items of industrial machinery in addition to cement mill machinery depending upon the orders for various equipment thus utilising their manufacturing capacity more fully. Some of the manufacturers have also taken steps to diversify their capacity to take up the manufacture of other items of industrial machinery such as Iron ore pelletising plout, rubber machinery and kilns for industries other than cement.

PRODUCTION OF ALLOY AND SPECIAL STEEL

*772. SHRI MANGALATHUMADAM : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Mysore Iron and Steel Works is implementing a scheme of conversion of the existing facilities to the production of alloy and special steel;

(b) what additional expenditure is estimated to achieve this end; and

(c) whether the Hindustan Steel Ltd. has approved this scheme and, if so, when the production will start?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The conversion of the existing facilities to the production of alloy and special steel is estimated to cost about Rs. 32 crores.

(c) This is a scheme under the Mysore State Government and no approval of Hindustan Steel Limited is necessary. The Alloy Steel production has already commenced.

WITHDRAWAL OF GOVERNMENT DIRECTOR IN THE BURDWAN-CUTWA RAILWAY COMPANY

*773. SHRI P. VISWAMBHARAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Railway Board has withdrawn the Government Director in the Burdwan-Cutwa Railway Co. and, if so, when and the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether the approval from his Ministry, Finance Ministry and the Ministry of Industrial Development, Internal Trade and Company Affairs was obtained before withdrawing the Government Director ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) and (b). Yes Sir; from 20-7-1969; the Burdwan-Katwa Railway owned and worked by the Burdwan-Cutwa Railway Company Limited was purchased by the Government with effect from 1-4-1966. Thereafter, the Government had no interest in the working of the Company and hence the Government nominee on the Board was withdrawn. The Railway Board constitute the Railway Ministry. The Company Law Board (Ministry of Industrial Development, Internal Trade & Company Affairs) was consulted before withdrawing the Director.

मैसर्स सिन्थेटिक एण्ड कैमिकल्स लिमिटेड की आय सम्बन्धी जांच

*774. **श्री देवेन सेन:** क्या **औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मैसर्स सिन्थेटिक एण्ड कैमिकल्स लिमिटेड द्वारा, जिसके पास फायरस्टोन टायर की बिक्री एजेंसी को, एक वर्ष में दो लाख रुपये अर्जित किये जाने के मामले में और जीवन बीमा निगम तथा अन्य वित्तीय संस्थाओं द्वारा कोई लाभ अर्जित न किये जाने के मामलों पर हाल ही में संसद् में चर्चा हुई थी;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि 7 नवम्बर, 1969 को बम्बई उच्च न्यायालय ने इस फर्म को इस आय के संबंध में उपर्युक्त फर्म के विरुद्ध निर्णय दिया था ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस फर्म के विरुद्ध सरकार का क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है, ताकि जीवन बीमा निगम तथा अन्य वित्तीय संस्थाओं के प्रति न्याय किया जा सके; और

(घ) क्या सरकार इस फर्म के स्वामी किला चन्द (तुलसी दास) सार्थ-समूह को फर्मों के कार्य संचालन के बारे में जांच करेगी; और यदि हां, तो कब ?

औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) नहीं, श्रीमान् । लोक सभा में, 28-4-1969 को चर्चा, मैसर्स सिन्थैटिक्स एण्ड कैमिकल्स लिमिटेड के एक मात्र विक्रेता अभिकर्ता के पद पर, मैसर्स विलाचन्द देवीचन्द एण्ड कम्पनी प्राइवेट लिमिटेड की नियुक्ति के सम्बन्ध में थी, जिसमें संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका की फायरस्टोन टायर एण्ड रबड़ कम्पनी, तथा जीवन बीमा निगम ने, हिस्सों के रूप में नियोजन किया था ।

(ख) बम्बई उच्च न्यायालय का दिनांक 7-11-69 का आदेश, बाद की अन्तिम सुनवाई एवं नियतन के अनिर्णीत होने तक, एक अन्त: कालीन निषेधाज्ञा है ।

(ग) एक-मात्र विक्रेता समझौता तथा, बम्बई उच्च-न्यायालय को आदेश, सरकार के परीक्षान्तर्गत है ।

(घ) इस प्रकार का कोई प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन नहीं है ।

WELFARE OF DEAF, DUMB AND BLIND BOYS

*775. SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA: Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of deaf, dumb and blind boys in the country at present, State-wise;

(b) the total amount of money spent during the last three years for their welfare; and

(c) the estimated amount to be spent on them during the Fourth Plan period, State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA]: (a) No dependable estimates are available. According to rough estimates made by some non-official organisations, there are about five million blind and one and a half million deaf in the country. No State-wise break-up is available.

(b) Since this is a State subject, information regarding the expenditure incurred by the State Governments is not available. The Government of India have, however, spent a sum of approximately Rs. 61,41,278/- in the last three years on Central programmes.

(c) A sum of Rs. 232 lakhs is being provided in the Fourth Plan for Central programmes for the education, training and rehabilitation of the handicapped, including the blind and the deaf.

EXPORT OF STEEL

*776. SHRI R.K. BIRLA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a spurt recently in the international prices of steel;

(b) if so, whether his Ministry, in consultation with the steel manufacturers in the public sector and private sector has formulated any scheme for exporting maximum steel in order to fetch greater foreign exchange; and

(c) if so, the total tonnage of steel in each sector which is to be exported, to which country it will be exported and how much foreign exchange is to be earned on this account under the Fourth Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c . The target for export of iron and steel in a year is fixed by a Committee, in which all the main producers and the rerolling industry are represented, after taking the availability and the demostic demand into account. The export target for 1969-70 has been fixed at 400,000 tonnes of pig iron and 530,000 tonnes of steel for the public sector steel plants and 100,000 tonnes of pig iron and 450,500 tonnes of steel for private sector steel plants and rerollers. The estimated F.O.B. value of these exports is about Rs. 80 crores. Exports are expected to increase gradually to a level of 1 million tonnes each of pig iron and steel by 1973-74. Indian pig iron and steel are exported to a large number of countries.

BOKARO STEEL PROJECT

*777. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA : SHRI HIMATSINGKA :

Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) the target set for the Bokaro Steel Plant for the year ending March, 1969 and how far these targets were reached;

(b) how much material, equipment, drawings and credit from the U.S.S.R. has been received and whether it is according to the schedule; and

(c) whether there is any difficulty which might result in delay in going into production of the Plant and, if so, the nature thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) As on the 31st March, 1969 some of the sectional targets for various items of work in line with the unrevised schedule, and the actual performance against them were as follows:

	Unit	Targets	Actuals
Concrete and RCC	M3	472,174	348,158
Railway (permanent linking)	KM	27·95	20·27
Structural Receipt	T	41,780	22,199
Structural Erection	T	19,820	4,182
Equipment Receipt ..	T	—	30,288
Equipment Erection	T	1,311	350

As on the 31st March, 1969, the target for completion of the first blast furnace complex was March, 1971, and the entrire Plant by June, 1972, these targets have, however since been revised as indicated in answer to part (c).

(b) Upto the 30th November, 1969, 65,951 tonnes of equipment, 9,721 tonnes of structures, 2046 tonnes of refractories and 11,960 tonnes of pipes and other goods were received. 79,932 working drawings were also received. By and large the supplies from Soviet Union have matched the requirements for the construction of the project and its actual progress.

(c) According to the revised target recently adopted, erection of the first blast furnace will be completed by December 1971, and of the entire equipment by March 1973. If a climate of peace and discipline is maintained among the workers, and there is no unexpected set back it should be possible to adhere to these target dates.

रेल दुर्घटनाओं के कारण लोगों पर अभियोग

*778. **श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय: क्या रेलवे** मंत्री 12 अगस्त, 1969 के अतारांकित प्रश्न 3202 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) तोड़फोड़ की कार्यवाहियों के कारण 33 रेल दुर्घटनाओं के मामले में कितने व्यक्ति गिरफ्तार किये गये थे;

(ख) उनमें से कितने व्यक्तियों पर मुकदमे चलाए गये और कितनों को दण्ड दिया गया; और

(ग) उनमें से कितने मामले अब भी न्यायालयों में विचाराधीन पड़े हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) 70 व्यक्ति।

(ख) 50 व्यक्तियों पर मुकदमा चलाया गया और 4 व्यक्तियों को दण्ड दिया गया।

(ग) 4 मामले अभी न्यायालय में चल रहे हैं जिनमें 7 फरार व्यक्तियों को मिलाकर 32 व्यक्ति अन्तर्ग्रस्त हैं।

Appointment of Members on Social Welfare Boards

*779. SHRI LOBO PRABHU: Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) on what criteria members are appointed to the Social Welfare Boards at different levels;

(b) whether any attempt has been made to secure the Co-operation and representation of persons belonging to parties other than the ruling party; and

(c) if so, how many members of Parties other than the Congress are there in the Social Welfare Boards at Bangalore and at Mangalore; how many of the members have been reappointed for more than a term with their names and the reasons for their reapointment ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (DR. SHRIMATI PHULRENU GUHA) (a) The members of the Central Social Welfare Board are appointed from amongst prominent women social workers. The Ministry of Finance, Education, Health, Family Planning, Community Development, Planning Commission and Department of Social Welfare are also represented on the Board. Besides these, two women MPs of the Lok Sabha nominated by the Speaker and one women MP from Rajya Sabha nominated by Chairman, Rajya Sabha also serve on the Board.

Similarly, State Social Welfare Advisory Board members are selected from amongst prominent State Women Social Welfare Workers. Official representatives from the State Governments of Education, Health, Family Planning and Community Development and Social Welfare also serve on the State Boards.

(b) Since non-official members of the Central Social Welfare Board as well as of the State Social Welfare Advisory Boards are prominent Social women workers selected on their standing in the filed on social welfare, their political affiliations are not relevant.

(c) Does not arise. A statement showing names of members nominated to the Mysore State Social Welfare Advisory Board in

June 1965 and re-nominated in December 1967 is enclosed. These members have been re-appointed on the basis of their standing in the field of social work.

There is no Board at Mangalore.

Statement

1.	Smt. B. K. Saraswathamma	Mysore Govt. nominee.
2.	Smt. P.R. Jayalakshamma	-do-
3.	Smt. Damayanthi Boregowda	-do-
4.	Smt. Allum Sumangalamma	-do-
5.	Smt. Ponnu Muddammaiah	-do-
6.	Smt. Eva Vaz	Central Social Welfare Board.
7.	Smt. Gangamma Basappa	-do-
8.	Smt. Jayalakshmi Jogi Siddiah	-do-
9.	Amt. Annapurna Bai Ragate	-do-
10.	Smt. Asha Bai V. Potdar	-do-
11.	Smt. Octavia Albuquerque	-do-

PRICE OF CEMENT PROPOSED BY A.C.C. AFTER DECONTROL

*780. SHRI K. RAMANI:
SHRI A. K. GOPALAN :
SHRI VISWANATHA MENON:
SHRI P. RAMAMURTI:
SHRI P. GOPALAN:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Associated Cement Co. has indicated to Government their proposed price pattern after decontrol for supplies to public as well as to Government;

(b) whether Government have examined the same; and

(c) whether Government are aware that the Associated Cement Co. will make an additional profit at the cost of consumer of about Rs. 1·75 crores per annum as savings in the provision for rebate for Government suppliesd, contingencies, freight and export subsidy on the basis of their present freight incidence and export losses ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) Yes, sir.

(b) and (c). The matter is under examination.

छावनी अधिनियम 1924 में संशोधन

*781. **श्री शारदानन्द :**
श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी :
श्री रामगोपाल शालवाले :
श्री यज्ञदत्त शर्मा :
श्री बृज भूषण लाल :

क्या प्रतिरक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) परिवर्तित परिस्थितियों के परिणामस्वरूप छावनी अधिनियम, 1924 में संशोधन करने की आवश्यकता कब से महसूस की जा रही है;

(ख) विचाराधीन संशोधनों का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) संशोधी विधेयक के संसद् में कब तक पुरःस्थापित किये जाने की संभावना है ?

प्रति रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री ल० ना० मिश्र) : (क) एक निरन्तर प्रक्रिया होने के कारण यह ठीक-ठीक बताना संभव नहीं कि कितनी अवधि से छावनी अधिनियम में संशोधन करने की आवश्यकता अनुभव की जा रही है ।

(ख) अन्य बातों सहित छावनी अधिनियम 1924 के विचाराधीन संशोधनों में शामिल है :—

(1) राज्य की नीति के निदेशक सिद्धान्तों के अनुसार निशुल्क तथा अनिवार्य प्राथमिक शिक्षा का पुरःस्थापन ।

(2) छावनी बोर्डों के सदस्यों की कार्यावधि को 3 वर्ष से बढ़ा कर 5 वर्ष करना ।

(3) छावनियों के लोकतन्त्री-करण के संबंध में पहले जारी किए गए आदेशों को सांविधिक स्वरूप प्रदान करना ।

(4) सैनिक स्थानों के तौर पर छावनियों के स्वरूप के अनुरूप छावनी प्रशासन को अधिक लोकतंत्रीकरण,

(5) अधिनियम के कई उपबंधों में त्रुटियों को दूर करना ।

(6) अधिनियम के प्रयोग में सामने आने वाली कठिनाईयों को दूर करना ।

(ग) यथाशक्य विधेयक को संसद् में शीघ्र पुरःस्थापित किया जाएगा ।

ISSUE OF IMPORT LICENCES

*782. SHRI R. R. SINGH DEO:
SHRI K. M. KOUSHIK:
SHRI PILOO MODY:
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have recently ordered the stoppage of issue of import licences to a large number of industrial and commercial concerns due to their non-payment to certain East-European firms of the amount due resulting from devaluation;

(b) if so, the names of such parties;

(c) whether while stopping issue of import licences, the period of such stoppage has not been notified to the parties concerned as required by the Import Control Regulations;

(d) whether Government took into consideration and discussed with the parties concerned the objections and the submissions made by them; and

(e) whether Government took into consideration the consequences whereby industry and trade would have to suspend activities thereby throwing thousands of workers out of employment ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir, at present in the case of few firms such action has been taken. However, it will not be in public interest to disclose their names at this stage.

(c) and (d). No, Sir. Show cause notices under the Import Control Regulations have been issued to the parties and their replies are taken into consideration in deciding the future course of action.

(e) In cases where such action was necessary, import licences have been issued to meet the urgent requirements of the firms concerned.

अखबारी कागज का आयात

*783. **श्री भारत सिंह चौहान :**
श्री श्रीचन्द गोयल :
श्री हुकमचन्द कछवाय :

क्या **वैदेशिक व्यापार** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1968-69 में अखबारी कागज का कितनी मात्रा में आयात किया गया था; और

(ख) उपरोक्त अखबारी कागज कितने समाचारपत्र संस्थानों को दिया गया था ?

वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री राम सेवक) : (क) 1,14,458 मे० टन ।

(ख) आयात के आंकड़े आयातक-वार नहीं रखे जाते ।

LAND UNDER POSSESSION OF MINISTRY OF DEFENCE IN BASTI DISTRICT

*784. SHRI NARAYAN SWAROOP SHARMA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the area of land possessed by his Ministry in Basti District ;

(b) the sites where such land is located;

(c) whether any of this land is leased out; and

(d) if so, to what agency ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA): (a) to (d). The defence owned land in District Basti comprises the Kalyanpur Camping Ground measuring approximately 34·709 acres. The land is in the occupation of agriculturists to whom it has been decided to lease out the same by execution of requisite lease deed.

STATEMENT MADE BY GENERAL KUMARAMANGALAM RE: ADOPTION OF ARMY LIFE AS A PROFESSION

*785. SHRI S.K. TAPURIAH:
SHRI N. K. SOMANI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have seen the statement made recently by General Kumaramangalam to the effect that 'the Army is the least popular profession--very few people like to join it as a career unless most of the other avenues are closed. We get very few officers (from those of higher grade, not in birth but in quality); and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA) : (a) Government have seen a newspaper report more or less to this effect.

(b) Considering the large intake of officers, both regular and short term, for the Army, over the past few years, the response from persons wishing to join the Army is quite good, though there is room for improvement, particularly in the intake of Short Service Commissioned Officers in the Technical Branches. The shortfalls in the last few years can, amongst other factors, be ascribed to the inadequate response from the State Governments for making available civilian officers under the Compulsorty Service Liability Schemes and the natural desire of Technical Graduates to go in for more permanent careers than Short Service Commission in the Army. The special measures which Government have taken, including the establishment of Sainik Schools for preparation of boys for the National Defence Academy, and the Special Entry through the NCC,are expected to make up some of the shortfalls.

DELAY IN THE HANDLING OF FOREIGN TRADE BY STATE TRADING CORPORATION

*786. SHRI GADILINGANA GOWD: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that undue delay takes place in the onward transmission of goods exported/imported through the State Trading Corporation ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the transactions during the years 1967-68 and 1968-69 in whose cases undue delay in the movement of goods occurred and the loss sustained by way of interest on the amount and by way of depreciation to the stock on this account; and

(d) whether Government propose to streamline the outdated procedures and evolve new techniques to avoid undue delay in movement ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

INDO-AFGHAN TRADE AGREEMENT

*787. SHRI R. BARUA:
SHRI N. R. LASKAR:
SHRI DHANDAPANI:

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India and Afghanistan signed a trade agreement for the year 1969-70;

(b) if so, the main features thereof; and

(c) whether, under this agreement India's exports to and import from that country will be increased compared to the last agreement ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) to (c). No New Trade Agreement, as such, with Afghanistan has been signed for 1969-70. The Trade Arrangement signed in July, 1968, which expirode on 31st July, 1969, has been extended for a further period of one year with effect from August 1, 1969. A statement showing the main features of the Trade Arrangement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

Main features of Indo-Afghan Trade Arrangement.

(*i*) Imports into India of asafoetida, cumin seeds and medicinal herbs of Afghanistan origin will be allowed freely;

(*ii*) Imports of Afghan dry and fresh fruits into India will be permitted subject to quantitative ceilings;

(*iii*) Not less than 15% of the counter exports by the importers in India, in payment for items covered by (i) and (ii) above will be in the form of non-traditional goods *i.e.* items other than textiles, tea, spices and coir products, and in accordance with the E.P. procedures of the Reserve Bank of India;

(*iv*) Payment for dry and fresh fruits, asafoetida, cumin seeds and herbs is made by importers in India by exporting to Afghanistan Indian goods specified in the Trade Arrangements, of an equivalent value; and

(*v*) Imports of wool and cotton from Afghanistan, and exports from India of items such as machinery, machine tools, automobiles, iron and steel construction material etc. specified in the Trade Arrangement, will be allowed against payments in free foreign exchange.

मृत्यु/जन्म दिवसों पर जाने के लिये राज्य सरकारों के प्रतिनिधियों की विदेश यात्रा सम्बन्धी नियम

*788. **श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी** : क्या **वैदेशिक कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या राज्य सरकार किसी देश के नेता की मृत्यु अथवा जन्म दिवस पर उसे श्रद्धांजलि अर्पित करने के लिये उस देश में अपना प्रतिनिधि स्वतंत्र रूप से भेज सकती है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस सम्बन्ध में क्या नियम बनाये गये हैं; और

(ग) यदि इस सम्बन्ध में अब तक कोई नियम नहीं बनाये गये हैं तो क्या सरकार का विचार ऐसे नियम अब बनाने का है ताकि भविष्य में केन्द्र तथा राज्य राज्यों के बीच कोई नया विवाद उत्पन्न न हो जाये ?

वैदेशिक कार्य मंत्री (श्री दिनेश सिंह) : (क) और (ख). जी नहीं । सभी राज्य सरकारों को औपचारिक रूप से यह सलाह दे दी गई है कि वे विदेश या भारत में इसके प्रतिनिधि की ओर से जो भी निमंत्रण प्राप्त करें, उसे स्वीकार करने के पूर्व उन्हें विदेश मंत्रालय का परामर्श लेना आवश्यक है । इसके अतिरिक्त, माननीय सदस्य इस बात से तो अवगत ही हैं कि विदेशी यात्राओं पर भारत के रिज़र्व बैंक के नियम भी लागू होते हैं ।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

PAKISTANI OCCUPATION OF POSTS IN KARGIL

*789. SHRI MAYAVAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are still three posts in Kargil area under Pakistani occupation, which were taken by them during 1965 conflict;

(b) if so, whether the U. N. Observers and a N. N. team had also given their verdict that these posts belong to India;

(c) if so, steps being taken to recover the said posts; and

(d) the reasons for delay in capturing them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA): (a) Pakistan is not in occupation of any post on our side of the Cease Fire Line in the Kargil sector.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

WORKING OF STATE TRADING CORPORATION

*790. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any letter from a Member of Parliament regarding the working at the highest levels of the State Trading Corporation;

(b) whether Government propose to lay a copy of the correspondence on the subject on the Table;

(c) whether Government also propose to lay the subsequent memoranda addressed by different parties with copies thereof to the Prime Minister on the Table; and

(d) whether Government have drawn the attention of theBureau of Public Enterpirses to the sad state of affairs in the State Trading Corporation's management ?

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT): (a) to (d). Government have received letters from the two Hon'ble Members of Parliament as well as from the State Trading Corporation's Employees' Union about matters relating to recruitment, promotions, postings. etc. in the Corporation. These have been examined by the management of the Corporation as well as by the Government. The management of the Corporation, which is an autonomous organisation, has already reached an agreement with the Employees' Union on several matters relating to the Corporation's personnel.

Government do not agree with the statement that the Corporation's management is in a sad state of affairs.

SOVIET AVIATION MINISTERS' VISIT TO INDIA

*791. SHRI D. N. PATODIA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Aviation Ministers from U.S.S.R. visited Delhi recently;

(b) if so, the purpose of their visit;

(c) the subjects that were discussed with them; and

(d) whether the question of purchase of Soviet civilian aircrafts also figured and the details of other subjects discussed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). They visited India in response to an invitation from the Defence Minister. This opportunity was availed of to discuss matters connected with the MiG-21 aircraft (including its improved version) and the overhaul of Soviet aircraft/aeroengines.

(d) No, Sir.

TRAVELLING REGULATION RELATING TO ARMY PERSONNEL

*792. SHRI P. VISWAMBHARAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to Travel Regulation, 341 Army personnel could travel only 600 miles each way with their families once in a year;

(b) whether Government are aware that this restriction on distance is causing considerable hardship to the Army personnel, particularly those coming from South India, as the Army is mostly concentrated in the North; and

(c) whether Government propose to change this regulation so as to enable the Army personnel to travel with their families once in a year to their home anywhere in India irrespective of the distance ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA): (a) to (c). According to Regulation 341 of the Travel Regulations—which rule is applicable only to Service Officers—a Service Officer is entitled to travel at Government cost 965 Kilometres each way to his leave station once every year. However, in accordance with Rule 340, a Service Officer is entitled to travel in alternate years to/from his home town irrespective of distance in lieu of his entitlement in that year under Rule 341.

Wives of Service Officers are entitled to travel at Government cost 965 Kilometres each way once every year in accordance with the prescribed conditions.

In addition, a Service Officer of the rank of Lt.-Colonel and below and his wife and children are also entitled to concession vouchers which enable them to travel by payment of less than the normal fare.

The Service Officers and their families are also entitled to certain travel concessions in respect of air travel, travel on medical grounds, etc. in accordance with the prescribed conditions.

The Leave Travel Rules have further been liberalised with effect from 1964 in order to entitle the married officers serving in the field areas to conveyance every year to visit their families wherever residing

in India without any distance limit. This is in lieu of the facilities available under Rules 340 and 341 of the Travel Regulations.

The Leave Travel Regulations are considered adequate and reasonable.

SYMPOSIUM ON SCIENCE FOR CITIZENS

*793. SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a four-day symposium on Science for Citizens was held in New Delhi recently;

(b) if so, whether it was decided to have a closer liaison between Scientists through mass communication media;

(c) if so, the other decisions arrived at; and

(d) whether Government have decided to implement these decisions?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

List of Decisions arrived at the Science for Citizens Symposium (Science Reporter Forum).

1) The Symposium discussed the suggestion made by the Minister of Education and Youth Services (Prof. V.K.R.V. Rao) in his inaugural speech on November 27, 1969 regarding the organisation of a Science Brains Trust and a Science Information Centre linked to the Science Reporter and Information Unit of the CSIR, and supported both ideas and resolved that a suitable plan be prepared for consideration of the Vice-President, C.S.I.R. (Minister of Education and Youth Services).

(2) Symposia such as 'Science for Citizens' be organised at regular intervals by the CSIR in collaboration with appropriate bodies such as AINEC at regular intervals to strengthen the liaison between scientists and chiefs of mass media including the daily newspapers.

(3) Mass media like All India Radio, T.V., Films Division and the daily newspapers should have science writers in their organisations to cover science and technology news promptly and accurately. Scientists should be encouraged to communicate with the mass media for dissemination of science and techonology.

(4) Every effort be made by the daily newspapers and other mass media and the scientists in the national laboratories, universities and elsewhere to appreciate each other's role in informing the lay citizen about the developments in science and technology in a simple easy to understand language. The conference noted with satisfaction the demand for science information by the young generation which was evident from the growing circulation of *Science Today*, *Science Reporter* and other science periodicals and felt that such efforts be encouraged by the government and other agencies for dissemination of science and technology.

(d) The suggestions are under consideration.

IMPORT OF COPRA FROM CEYLON

*794. SHRI C. K. CHAKRAPANI: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India is improving copra in large quantities from Ceylon;

(b) the reason for not exploiting the rich coconut wealth in Kerala and other coastal region; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to step up the production of coconut to avoid imports from Ceylon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) India imports small quantities of copra, to fill the gap between internal production and requirements.

(b) The coconut wealth of Kerala and other states is fully utilised for meeting the requirements of copra and coconut oil in the country and earning foreign exchange by export of coconut products, namely, coir goods and copra deoiled cake.

(c) The total acreage under the crop (1967-68) is estimated at about 9 lakhs hectares and the total production at 5319 million nuts (approximately 2·7 lakhs tonnes of copra). Under the Fourth Plan, it is envisaged to achieve an additional production of 1000 million nuts. This target is sought to be achieved by the implementation of coconut development schemes including the Centrally Sponsored Schemes. Besides schemes that will yield immediate results, some other schemes which are of potential importance in future will also be undertaken during the Fourth Plan.

Both short term and long term coconut development programmes are in progress in various states. The short term measures include setting up of demonstration plots, distribution of fertilizers, introduction of package programme, promotion of irrigation facilities and control of pests of and diseases. Long term measures include expansion of area under the crop and production and distribution of quality planting material.

चौथी योजना में राज्य क्षेत्र के आकार के बारे में निर्णय

795. **श्री रघुवीर सिंह शास्त्री**: क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या चौथी योजना में राज्य क्षेत्र के आकार के बारे में कोई निर्णय कर लिया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो प्रत्येक राज्य ने कितनी कितनी धन राशि की मांग की थी तथा प्रत्येक को वस्तुत: कितनी-कितनी धनराशि आवंटित की गई है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इस बारे में अंतिम निर्णय संभवत: कबतक किया जायेगा ?

प्रधान मंत्री, वित्त मंत्री, अणु शक्ति मंत्री तथा योजना मंत्री (श्रीमती इंदिरा गांधी): (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

(ग) राष्ट्रीय विकास परिषद्, जिसकी बैठक आगामी वर्ष के आरम्भ में होने की संभावना है, द्वारा विचार करने के बाद, राज्य की चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना को अंतिम रूप दिया जायेगा ।

Draft Plan for Orissa

796. SHRI RABI RAY:

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chief Minister of Orissa had discussions with the Planning Commission about the size of their State Plan;

of(b) if so, whether he demanded that the Centre should come to the aid of the Government of Orissa in view of its low per capita income; and

(c) the assurance given to the Chief Minister on that score ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) The State Chief Minister was assured that the question would be considered while finalising the State's Fourth Plan.

Boundary Demarcation Between East Pakistan and West Bengal

*797. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Pakistan authorities did not agree to border demarcation at a Dacca meeting recently;

(b) if so, how much boundary has been demarcated between East Pakistan and West Bengal and how much boundary is yet to be demarcated;

(c) when agreement on boundary demarcation was reached and when the work on demarcation started; and

(d) the disputes that have arisen on demacration, which of them have been settled and which remain to be settled ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) and(b). Out of 1349 Linear miles of boundary between West Bengal and East Pakistan only 95 linear miles are yet to be demarcated. The Pakistan authorities have refused to cooperate in demarcating certain sectors of this boundary unless demarcation on the Berubari Sector, consisting of 26 linear miles, is completed.

(c) The Radcliffe Award of 12th August 1947 was the basis of the boundary demarcation between the West Bengal and East Pakistan and demarcation began after the Inter-Dominion Conference at New Delhi in December 1948.

(d) The major differences between the two countries were regarding:

(1) the boundary between Murshidabad (India) and Kajshahi (East Pakistan),

(2) the boundary in Berubari,

(3) the boundary between 24 Parganas (India), and Jessore-Khulna (East Pakistan),

(4) the boundary along Hili,

(5) the Chhit lands of old Cooch Behar State and its Enclaves in Pakistan and Pakistani Enclaves in India,

(6) the Mahananda—Borung Karatoa region.

Except for a minor difference over the interpretation of the Nehru-Noon Agreement regarding 24-Parganas and Jessore-Khulna border, there is no dispute pending between the two countries.

नेपाल द्वारा व्यापार करार का पालन

*798. **श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री:** क्या **वैदेशिक व्यापार** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या इस आशय की कुछ शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं कि भारत और नेपाल के बीच हुए व्यापार करार की सभी शर्तों और निबंधनों का नेपाल ने पालन नहीं किया है;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि पाकिस्तान इस करार का अनुचित लाभ उठा रहा है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस बारे में सरकार ने अब तक क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री राम सेवक): (क) और (ग). नेपाल की सरकार के साथ हमारा ऐसा कोई व्यापार करार नहीं है। माननीय सदस्य का निर्देश प्रत्यक्षतः व्यापार तथा पारगमन के सम्बन्ध में भारत-नेपाल संधि (1960) की ओर है।

2. समय-समय पर प्राप्त हुई शिकायतें मुख्यतः नेपाल द्वारा भारत को मंश्लिष्ट वस्त्रों तथा अविकारी इस्पात के सामान के अत्यधिक निर्यातों, भारत में नेपाल से अन्य देशों के माल का प्रवाह और नेपाल द्वारा अन्य देशों को भारतीय माल के भेजने से सम्बन्धित हैं।

3. नेपाल सरकार मंश्लिष्ट वस्त्र तथा अविकारी इस्पात के माल के अपने निर्यातों को 1967-68 के स्तर पर सीमित करने के लिये सहमत हो गई है। अन्य देशों में बने माल का जहां तक सम्बन्ध है, नेपाल से भारत में उनके **आयात पर सीमाशुल्क अधिनियम के अधीन जारी की गई अधिसूचना** द्वारा रोक लगा दी गई है। ऐसे माल का भारत में चोरी-छिपे आना रोकने के लिये और अन्य देशों को भेजने के लिये भारतीय माल का नेपाल में चोरी-छिपे जाना रोकने के लिये अनेक कदम उठाये गये हैं, जिनमें निम्नलिखित उपाय शामिल हैं :—

(1) सीमा पर अतिरिक्त सीमा शुल्क कर्मचारियों की नियुक्ति ;

(2) सीमा पर कार्य करने वाले केन्द्रीय तथा राज्य सरकारों के अन्य प्रवर्तन अभिकरणों से सहयोग प्राप्त करना ;

(3) केन्द्र तथा सम्बद्ध राज्य सरकारों के प्रतिनिधियों की एक समिति बनाई गई है, जो समय समय पर समीक्षा करके भारत-नेपाल सीमा के आर-

पार होने वाली तस्करी को रोकने के उपायों की सिफारिश करेगी ।

भारत-नेपाल संधि की क्रियान्विति से उत्पन्न कठिनाइयों पर दोनों देशों के वरिष्ठ अधिकारियों की समय समय पर होने वाली बैठकों में विचार किया जाता है, ताकि समुचित उपचारात्मक कार्यवाही की जा सके ।

(ख) पाकिस्तान भारत के विरुद्ध अवांछित प्रचार कर रहा है कि हम नेपाल को पारगमन की सुविधाएं देने में, विशेषत: नेपाल तथा पूर्वी पाकिस्तान के बीच के भू-मार्ग से माल के आने जाने के विषय में, कथित रूप से असफल रहे हैं ।

OBSERVANCE OF INDO-PAK AGREEMENTS

*799. SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of agreements have been signed between India and Pakistan during the last 22 years regarding the protection of Hindus and Muslims left in the two countries after the partition;

(b) whether India has scrupulously observed and honoured these agreements;

(c) whether Pakistan Government have not honoured any of these agreements, as a result of which Hindu population in Pakistan instead of going up to 24 million in 1961 reduced to 9 million;

(d) whether the treatment being meted out to the Hindus and Buddhists in Pakistan amount to genocide of unprecedented magnitude; and

(e) if so, whether Government have takenup this question at the U.N. level to focus the attention of the world to this genocide in Pakistan and mobilise World opinion against it and if so, with what results?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir. It is true that the record of the Pakistan Government in honouring these agreements has been most unsatisfactory and the Hindu population in Pakistan as a consequence has considerably decreased. But what the Hindu population would have otherwise grown to is a difficult thing to say.

(d) The Government is aware that minorities in Pakistan continue to suffer a number of disabilities which include religious persecution, and discrimination in various spheres of life, but there have been no reports of any organised large-scale killing in the recent past.

(e) The Government feel that the best way of settling Indo-Pakistan differences is through bilateral discussions.

TARIFF COMMISSION

*800. SHRI R. K. BIRLA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the recommendations of the Tariff Commission are neither binding on Government nor on the manufacturers;

(b) if so, the reasons for which this organisation is being maintained;

(c) the amount of expenditure incurred on this organisation during the last three years, year-wise; and

(d) the strength of staff under each category working in this organisation?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) and (b). The Commission has been set up under the Tariff Commission Act, 1951, for advising Government in regard to certain matters relating to protection for industries, and for enabling Government to deal with such measures as may be necessary in regard to certain price structures of commodities involved in the country's economy. It is intended to provide the necessary expert advice after such enquiries as may be necessary in regard to these matters. While it is a fact that the recommendations of the Commission are not binding on the Government decisions are based mainly on the recommendations of the Commission and any other relevant factors in regard to the circumstances of each case and (except where they are incidental recommendations which merely need to be brought to the notice of the manu-

facturers, etc.) they are implemented under appropriate authority or statute. Such decisions of Government based on the recommendations of the Tariff Commission would be binding on the manfacturers. The usefulness and the necessity of an organisation of this nature in a country which had been earlier largely dependent primarily on imports and now involved in an actively planned programme of development would be more than evident, particularly in the light of the experience of recent years.

(c) The expenditure incurred on the Tariff Commission during the years 1966-67 to 1968-69 is given below:

(*i*) 1966-67	Rs. 9·51 lakhs
(*ii*) 1967-68	Rs. 10·28 lakhs
(*iii*) 1968-69	Rs. 10·59 lakhs

(d) A statement is placed on the Table of the Sabha. [*Placed in Library See No. LT-2495/69*].

ESTABLISHMENT OF A COASTAL COMMAND FOR AIR FORCE

*801. SHRI RANJEET SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether recommendations have been made for the establishment of a Coastal Command for the Air Force for the specific purpose of patrolling our sea coasts;

(b) if so, the progress in this directions; and

(c) if not, whether Government purpose to consider the imperative necessity of such Command?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) It is not considered necessary to have a separate Coastal Command of the air Force for the purpose in view. The present organization is adequate.

IRREGULARITIES COMMITTED BY SWADESHI COTTON MILL, INDORE AND INDU MILLS BOMBAY

*802. SHRI MADHU LIMAYE : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the sad condition of the Swadeshi Cotton Mill, Indore and Indu Mills, Bombay;

(b) whether both these mills are under Authorised Controllers;

(c) whether Provident fund has not been paid by these mills for the last one or two years;

(d) whether there are charges of irregularities, negligence and inefficiency; and

(e) if so, the action Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) Government have been receiving complaints from time to time in respect of these mills.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The mills have not been paying the Provident Fund dues regularly and in full.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Enquiries so far made as a result of the complaints have shown that there was no substance in the allegations regarding negligence, inefficiency and corruption on the part of the management. A further complaint has been received recently in respect of the Swadeshi Cotton Flour Mills Indore and the Madhya Pradesh Government have been asked to make necessary enquiries.

MOLASSES IN TAMIL NADU

*803. SHRI VIRENDRAKUMAR SHAH: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item in the Financial Express of the 25th November, 1969, wherein it has been stated that over 25,000 tonnes of molasses would have to be destroyed in Tamil Nadu, in case the Central Government failed to permit their immediate clearance for exports;

(b) if so, whether there has been a delay on the part of Government in giving orders for lifting stocks; and

(c) whether Government have since taken steps to ensure that the molasses were either exported or made use of internally?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) to (c). Due to consecutive two bad sugar seasons 1966-67 and 1967-68 the estimates of production and availability of molasses during the sugar season 1968-69 by the Tamil Nadu Government were rather conservative and it was only at the fag end of the season that the State Government reported surplus availability of molasses. As soon as the position was brought to the notice of the Central Government, the matter was considered in consultation with other States Governments, (particularly those which are deficit) in the Central Molasses Board. A final decision to permit exports is expected to be taken shortly.

हथकरघा उद्योग

*804. **श्री रामावतार शास्त्री :** क्या **वैदेशिक व्यापार** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में विभिन्न राज्यों में हथकरघों की राज्यवार संख्या कितनी है और उन पर कितने लोग आश्रित हैं ;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि देश में हथकरघा उद्योग बहुत गम्भीर संकट में से गुजर रहा है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं;

(घ) क्या सरकार ने इस उद्योग के सामने आये संकट को दूर करने के लिए बैंकों के राष्ट्रीयकरण के बाद कोई नई योजना बनाई है, जिसके अन्तर्गत बुनकर सहकारी समितियों तथा स्वतन्त्र बुनकरों को ऋण दिया जाये; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और इस योजना को सरकार का कब क्रियान्वित करने का विचार है ?

वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री राम सेवक) : (क) एक विवरण सभा पटल पर रखा जाता है जिसमें देश के विभिन्न राज्यों में हथकरघों की संख्या दी गयी है । **[ग्रन्थालय में रख दिया गया । देखिये संख्या LT--2496/69]** हथकरघा उद्योग में नियोजित व्यक्तियों के बारे में ठीक ठीक आंकड़े उपलब्ध नहीं हैं ।

(ख) जी नहीं ।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

(घ) और (ङ). सहकारी बैंकों के माध्यम से बुनकर सहकारी समितियों को ऋण देने की योजना पहले से ही विद्यमान है बैंकों ने स्वतंत्र बुनकरों को ऋण देने की कोई योजना अभी तक नहीं बनाई है ।

Export of Iron and Manganese Ore through Visakhapatnam and Paradip Ports

*805. SHRI S. R. DAMANI: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) the prospects of iron ore and manganese ore exports from the current year to 1973-74;

(b) how much of it will be handled by the Visakhapatnam and Paradip Ports; and

(c) the action being taken to develop these Ports for the purpose, the progress achieved so far and when it will be completed ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) to (c). A statement is placed on the table of the House.

Statement

(a) The following are the likely exports of iron and manganese ores during 1969-70 to 1973-74:-

(Qty. in million tons)

Year	Iron Ore	Manganese ore
1969-70 ..	17·4	1·25
1970-71 ..	19·5	1·30
1971-72 ..	20·7	1·35
1972-73 ..	23·1	1·40
1973-74 ..	26·0	1·45

(b) The East coast ports of Visakhapatnam and Paradeep are expected to handle

the following ore traffic during the fourth Plan period:—

(Qty. in million tons)

Year	Iron Ore		Manganese ore	
	Vizag	Paradeep	Vizag	Paradeep
1969-70	4·80	1·8	0·68	Nil
1970-71	5·40	3·5	0·70	Nil
1971-72	5·70	3·7	0·72	Nil
1972-73	5·70	3·9	0·74	Nil
1973-74	5·70	3·9	0·76	Nil

(c) The mechanical ore loading facility at Visakhapatnam inner harbour is being stepped up from existing 4·5 to 6 million tonnes per annum. This is likely to be completed during the first half of 1970.

It has been decided to construct a protected outer harbour at Vsakhapatnam with a capacity to handle between 10 to 12 million tons of ore. The port on completion would cater to 1,00,000 DWT ore carriers initially with an inbuilt provision to handle larger carriers subsequently. The mechanical ore loading facility at the outer harbour would be gradually raised from 8,000 tonne to 12,000 tonnes per hour. The outer harbour is expected to be ready during 1974.

The first stage of development of paradeep port which envisaged provision of a iron ore berth with a mechanical ore loadding facility of 2 million tonnes annually, has been completed. The second phase of widening the turning circle to cater to ore carriers of 60,000 DWT and augmenting of machanical ore loading facility to 4 million tonnes annually would be completed during the fourth plan period.

Work on Cuttack-Paradeep rail link commenced in 1968. On present expectation the rail link would become available in 1971-72.

TARGET FOR EXPORT OF ROSES TO EUROPE

*806. SHRI HIMATSINGKA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian roses find a ready market abroad, particularly in the European countries;

(b) if so, the target of export of roses fixed for the current year; and

(c) the likely income in terms of foreign exchange and Indian rupee to be earned thereby?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) to (c). There is a certain demand for Indian roses in European countries especially during winter season. No target has been fixed for export, since the exports are still in experinental stages.

DEMAND FOR INDIAN TEAS AND COFFEE

*807. SHRI N. R. DEOGHARE: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Tea and Coffee is becoming very popular in foreign countries and is in great demand;

(b) if so, the countries where these articles are becoming popular; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to ensure sufficient exports of tea and coffee?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) and (b) . Indian tea is becoming popular in the U.S.S.R., U.S.A., Sudan, Afghanistan, Irish Republic, Iraq, Australia, West Germany, Iran and Morocco. Indian coffee is becoming popular in the U.S.S.R., Poland, Rumania, Czhecoslovakia, East Germany and Yugoslavia.

(c) Some of the more important measure taken with regard to Indian tea are (1) reduction in export duty on tea (2) abolition of the special excise duty on tea (3) promotional measures for Indian tea through the offices of the Tea Board functioning in London, Brussels, New York, Cairo and Sydney and tea centres established at London, Edinburgh, Cairo and Sydney (4) promotion of special packs of Indian tea in selected markets abroad with the cooperation of the local blenders, packers (5) advertisements through appropraite media of publicity in countries abroad (6) participation in trade fairs and exhibitions (7) sponsoring delegations abroad and inviting delegations from foreign countries to visit India to promote the interest of tea, and (8) undertaking generic promotion in

the overseas markets for increasing consumption of tea through membership in Tea Councils functioning in various countries abroad in collaboration with producing countries and the local tea trade.

Exports of coffee to most of the countries are regulated by quotas fixed under the International Coffee Agreement. The endeavour of the Government is to encourage the growth of exports particularly to non-quota countries consistent with our obligations under the International Coffee Agreement.

To promote export of coffee, the Coffee Board carries out various publicity campaigns in foreign countries by way of participation in International fairs, advertisements and free distribution of freshly roasted and ground Indian coffee powder through joint campaigns with Air India International .

सौराष्ट्र मिल्स, उज्जैन (मध्य प्रदेश)

*808. **श्री ओंकार लाल बेरवा** : क्या **वैदेशिक व्यापार** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सौराष्ट्र मिल्स, उज्जैन (मध्य प्रदेश) को 1966 मे सरकार के नियंत्रण में बुलाया जा रहा है ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि उक्त मिल तब से घाटे पर चल रही है;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि गत तीन वर्षों से कर्मचारियों को बोनस तथा कर्मचारी भविष्य निधि का भुगतान नहीं किया गया है;

(घ) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार का विचार उक्त मिल में घाटे के कारणों के संबंध में जांच कराने का और बोनस तथा कर्मचारी भवियष्य निधि का भुगतान कराने का है; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो कब तक ?

वदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री राम सेवक) : (क) उज्जैन में ऐसी कोई मिल नहीं है ।

(ख) से (ङ) . प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

AGRICULTURAL PLOTS HELD ON LEASE BY AGRICULTURISTS IN TOP KHANA PARADE, AMBALA CANTONMENT

*809. SHRI SURAJ BHAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to State :

(a) whether it is a fact that about 300 agriculturist families are holding agricultural plots in Top Khana Parade, Ambala Cantonment on lease for the last more than 50 years for agricultural purposes their lease being renewed on year to year basis;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government are contemplating to get the said land vacated in the near future; and

(c) if so, the steps which Government propose to take for the rehabilitation of those 300 families likely to be evicted from the agricultural plots?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. N. MISHRA): (a) It is correct that approximately 180 acres of defence owned land in TOP KHANNA PARADE Ambala Cantonment were held on agricultural lease by approximately 303 families and the leases were renewed from time to time over a number of years until 30th April 1968.

(b) The land is required for defence purposes and it is accordingly proposed to take over the possession thereof.

(c) The lands which were temporarily surplus to defence requirements were leased from time to time on condition that the same would be resumed at short notice whenever require for defence purposes, and the lessees themselves will have to take the requisite action to rehabilitate themselves, if need be.

कपास के निम्नतम मूल्य में वृद्धि

*810. **श्री देवराव पाटिल**: क्या **वैदेशिक व्यापार** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या महाराष्ट्र सरकार ने कपास के निम्नतम मूल्य बढ़ाने के लिये एक प्रस्ताव भेजा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) निम्नतम मूल्यों में वृद्धि करने का आधार क्या है ?

वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री राम सेवक) : (क) से (ग) . सरकार ने कपास के न्यूनतम मूल्य निर्धारित नहीं किये हैं परन्तु इस जिन्स के लिये केवल समर्थन मूल्यों की घोषणा की है । महाराष्ट्र सरकार ने सुझाव दिया है कि 1969-70 के समर्थन मूल्यों को संशोधित करके उन्हें वर्ष 1966-67 के कपास के अधिकतम मूल्यों के स्तर पर लाया जाये । महाराष्ट्र सरकार का कहना है कि कपास के वर्तमान समर्थन मूल्य अन्य कृषि वस्तुओं के मूल्यों के अनुरूप नहीं हैं और उनसे राज्य में कपास के उत्पादन को बढ़ाने के लिये प्रोत्साहन नहीं मिलता ।

नेपा मिलों में कर्मचारियों के विरुद्ध चोरी के मामले

4951. श्री गं० चं० दीक्षित : क्या **औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या पुलिस ने नेपा मिल्स के कुछ कर्मचारियों के विरुद्ध चोरी के मामले न्यायालय में दायर किये हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में प्राप्त शिकायतों का ब्यौरा क्या है ; और न्यायालयों में दायर किये गये मुकदमें इस समय किस स्थिति में हैं ; और

(ग) इससे संबंधित कार्यवाही कब तक पूरी हो जाने की संभावना है ?

औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) नेपा मिल्स के तीन कर्मचारियों, एक स्टोर अधिकारी, एक स्टोर कीपर तथा एक सहायक स्टोर कीपर को पुलिस ने सितम्बर 1969 में पारे की 6 पेटियां (सरकारी फ्लास्क) चुराने के अभियोग में चार्जशीट किया है । अभियुक्तों को अदालत द्वारा जमानत पर छोड़ा गया है, तथा मामला सेशन्स कोर्ट को सुपुर्द कर दिया गया है ।

(ग) अदालती कार्यवाही कब तक पूरी समाप्त होगी यह कह सकना संभव नहीं है ।

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS FIRMS ENTRUSTED WITH AUDIT WORK IN CORPORATE SECTOR

4952. SHRI BABURAO PATEL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of leading firms of Chartered Accountants who have monopolised a major portion of audit work in the corporate sector with names of their clients;

(b) the names of the Directors of these firms of Chartered Accountants; and

(c) the practical steps Government propose to take to check the monopoly operations of these Chartered Accountants?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE & COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

(c) The matter is under examination.

LOSSES SUFFERED BY SOUTHERN RAILWAY

4953. SHRI BABURAO PATEL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the annual loss of the Southern Railway during the last three years;

(b) the precise reasons why this Railway has been running at a loss;

(c) whether it is a fact that the cost of transporting coal from the North to the South for steam locomotives has been very prohibitive;

(d) if so, the reasons why more diesel traction is not used; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken in the immediate future for cutting down the losses and, if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) The loss

on the Southern Railway during the last three years is given below :—

Year	*Loss*
1966-67 ..	11·02 Crores.
1967-68	14·29 Crores.
1968-69	15·83 Crores.

(b) The chief reason is the transfer to the South-Central Railways of some sections, especially on the North East line (Gudur Waltair Section) which earn comparatively more revenue than the sections left on Southern Railway. Some other significant features peculiar to this Railway are :—

(*i*) the higher proportion of metre gauge to total route length of the Railway, with its higher cost of operation ;

(*ii*) a high proportion of passenger traffic which generally does not cover full cost ;

(*iii*) a high proportion of branch lines with low traffic density ;

(*iv*) the fact that the Railway is so located geographically that it has little cross traffic, and

(*v*) stiff competition from the roads (about 95 per cent of Railway route Kms. as parallel roads).

(c) The cost of coal used by Southern Railway is comparatively higher because of the longer lead.

(d) Increasing use of diesel traction is already under consideration. Eight more Broad Gauge diesels are expected to be allotted to Southern Railway by the end of this year. With this increase in diesel locos over 80% of the through freight trains on the Broad Gauge of the Railway will be on diesel traction. 15 additional Metre Gauge diesels have also recently been allotted to the Southern Railway and more are proposed to be sent to the Railway later.

(e) The following are some of the measures being taken to improve the financial position :—

(*i*) Quotation of reduced rates to attract traffic in certain commodities such as cotton yarn and Turmeric.

(*ii*) Reduction in minimum weight for charge for cocoanuts in wagon loads from 90 to 80 Quintals per metre gauge 5 wheeled wagons.

(*ii*) Introduction of Super Express Goods train services on major trunk routes between Madras and Shalimar, Madras and Wadi Bunder and Madras and New Delhi in order to attract more goods traffic.

(*iv*) Introduction of an over-night super fast goods service between Madras and Bangalore.

(*v*) Introduction of Quick Transit Services with guaranteed transit time between certain pairs of points as warrants.

(*vi*) Progressive dieselisation of goods trains both on the Broad Gauge and Metre Gauge in order to miprove speeds.

(*vii*) To ensure quick transit and avoid detention at transhipment points special arrangements have been made for movement of certain commodities from Metre Gauge station on the Tiruchirapalli and Madurai Divisions *via* Madras Beach and, Salt Cotaurs, avoiding transhipment at Arkonam, to Shalimar and Wadi Bunder and *via*; this traffic connects the Super Express Goods train from Salt Cotaurs to Shalimar and Wadi Bunder.

(*viii*) Introduction and development over a wider net work of container services providing door to door service.

A 5-tonne container service has been introduced from 14-1-1969 between Madras and Bangalore. The introduction of similar services between (1) Madras and Bombay, (2) Madras and Secunderabad, (3) Madras and Shalimar, (4) Madras and Cochin (5) Madras and Delhi and (6) Bangalore and Bombay, is being processed.

(*ix*) The feasibility of cancelling certain unremunerative passenger services based on special census, to reduce working expenses, is under examination.

(*x*) Two goods shed *viz.*, Bangalore City BG and Salt Cotaurs have been nominated for guaranteed wagon supply free from operational and other restrictions.

(*xi*) Introduction of 'Freight Forwarder' scheme is under examination.

(*xii*) Speeding up of 'Mail/Express trains.

(*xiii*) Introduction of fast diesel rail car service between Bangalore and Mysore.

(*xiv*) Provision of new rakes of the chair car type for Brindavan Express to attract additional traffic.

WAGON BUILDING INDUSTRY

4954. SHRI BABURAO PATEL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the wagon industry gets an average annual order to extent, of 27,000 four-wheeler wagons;

(b) the number of four-wheeler wagons actually built annually during the last three years against this average annual order;

(c) the exact reasons for the terrific shortfall in production;

(d) the manner in which the full annual demand for wagons is met and the number and value of wagons imported annually with names of the countries; and

(e) the steps contemplated in Fourth Plan to make the wagon industry self-sufficient and, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) and (b). The total orders available with the wagon builders in the private sector and their actual out-put during the last three years are given below:-

	Total orders available in terms of four-wheelers at the beginning of the year.	Out-put from all wagon builders in private sector in terms of four-wheelers
1966-67	27076	16501
1967-68	26895·5	13956
1968-69	25882·5	13398

(c) The short-fall in production is primarily due to conditions like labour troubles, strikes, lock-outs etc.

(d) The annual demand for wagons is met by placing orders on the indigenous wagon building industry and Railway Workshops. Wagons are not imported.

(e) No further steps are contemplated as the present capacity of the wagon building industry is considered adequate to meet the requirements.

LAYING OF NEW RAILWAY LINES FROM DALMIA NAGAR TO NASLI GANJ (BIHAR)

4955. SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plans to lay new Railway lines from Dalima Nagar to Nasli Gani, through Shahr, Sandesh towns and upto Arrah Junction in Bihar;

(b) if so, by when this Railway line is likely to be ready for public use; and

(c) if the reply to part (a) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) No.

(b) and (c). Due to paucity of funds, this line cannot be considered for construction in the near future.

ECONOMIC SURVEY OF RAJASTHAN

4956. SHRI R. K. BIRLA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India in cooperation with the Government of Rajasthan are contemplating to undertake an economic survey of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what are the big industries which have been set up in Rajasthan during the first three Five Year Plans, Plan-wise, and the areas where they have been set up;

(d) what is the percentage of industrial development of Rajasthan during the first three plans as compared to the all-India Industrial development; and

(c) whether it is a fact that certain areas which are industrially potential in that State have not been touched and if so, whether there is any proposal under the Fourth Plan to harness these areas?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) There is no such proposal.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (e). No large scale industrial projects were set up in Rajasthan during the first three Plan periods. It was decided to set up two industrial projects *viz*., Khetri Copper Project, Khetri and Precision Instruments Factory, Kota during the Third Plan but these could not be completed during that period. Of these, the Precision Instruments Factory at Kota has already gone into production in 1966-67 while another project namely the Zinc Smelter at Udaipur has also been set up in 1967-68. In addition, two projects; (i) Khetri Copper Project and Machine Tools Factory, Ajmer are under implementation. Provision has also been made in the Draft Fourth Plan for the completion of Khetri Copper Project and Machine Tools Plant, Ajmer and for doubling of the Zinc Smelter at Udaipur. There is also a proposal to set up a sodium sulphate plant of 50 tonnes/day capacity in the central sector in Rajasthan. Some of the projects set up in the State sector in the last few years in Rajasthan are (i) Ganganagar Sugar Mills; (ii) Sodium Sulphate project (taken over from the private sector) and (iii) Precision Glass Works at Dholpur.

The projects in the Central Sector to be set up during the Fourth Five Year Plan and the investments proposed to be made on them are given on pages 253-260 of the Draft Fourth Five Year Plan Report. The projects to be located in Rajasthan during the Fourth Plan are also mentioned there. Further a provision of Rs. 2 crores has been made in the Draft Fourth Plan for State Woollen Mills, expansion of sodium sulphate plant, synthetic detergent and caustic soda plant, leather tannery, salt industry besides development of industrial areas and share capital contribution to Industrial and Mineral Development Corporation.

Several new industries in the private sector have come up in Rajasthan during the last few years. Some of them are for manufacture of caustic soda, PVC, Ball and roller bearings, electrical conductors, cotton textiles, synthetic fibres etc. A number of cement factories have also been set up or are being set up in the State. A new factory for the manufacture of rayon tyre cord and a fertiliser factory have also gone into production at Kota. Two units established in Jaipur have begun manufacture of Transmission Towers.

(d) In 1950 the net value added by industries in Rajasthan was 0·3% of the total value added on all India basis and it increased to 0·8%, 1%, 1·2% in 1955, 1960 and 1965 respectively.

APPLICATIONS FROM RAJASTHAN FOR SETTING UP INDUSTRIES

4957. SHRI R. K. BIRLA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications received from Rajasthan for licences for the setting up of new industries during the year 1968-69; and

(b) the number of applicants to whom licences were given along with the names of the industries?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) 38 applications were received during 1968 and 1969 (upto 31-10-69) for industrial licences for setting up new industrial undertakings in the State of Rajasthan.

(b) One industrial licence has been granted for setting up a new industrial undertaking for the manufacture of GLS Lamps etc. A licence for effecting substantial expansion for the manufacture of Paper Insulated Power Cables and another for manufacture of a new article, *viz*. variable gang condensers have also been granted. Besides, five letters of intent have been issued out of which four are for new industrial undertakings *viz*. for the manufacture of Oxygen, Milk Powder, etc; Dry Cell Batteries; and Beer; and one for manufacture of a new article, *viz*; component parts for Radios.

FILLING UP OF POSTS OF DIVISIONAL ENGINEERS (SENIOR SCALE) ON SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

4958. SHRI S. D. SOMASUNDARAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there were 22 vacancies in the cadre of Divisional Engineers (Senior Scale) during the period from 2nd October, 1966 to 30th June, 1969 in the South Central Railway;

(b) whether it is also a fact that one-third of the above vacancies should go to promoted Class II Officers and a certain percentage to officers with meritorious service as per rules, whereas the above vacancies were filled up, by promoting 8 class I Officers, 7 temporary officers and transferring 7 senior officers from other Railways; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) No.

(b) No-Senior Scale (Class I) posts are filled by Class I (Junior Scale) officers, Temporary officers and impanelled Class II officers, in that order.

(c) Does not arise.

RAILWAY LINE FROM MAYURAM TO KARAIKKUDI (SOUTHERN RAILWAY)

4959. SHRI S. D. SOMASUNDARAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railway line between Mayuram and Karaikkudi is being strengthened in order to allow heavy engines;

(b) if so, the distance upto which the strengthening is over and the time by which the remaining work is expected to be completed; and

*(c) the reasons for the delay in completing this work?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). The entire Section from Mayuram to Karaikkudi has been relaid, and the ballasting of track has been completed from Mayuram to Tiruvarur. The work of ballasting the section from Tiruvarur to Karaikkudi is in progress and is expected to be completed during 1970-71.

IMPORT OF CABLES

4960. SHRI R. K. BIRLA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that cables including 11 KV trailing and quarry mining cables are being imported;

(b) if so, the quantity of each kind of cables imported during the period from April, 1968 to February, 1969 and the value thereof and from which country;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there is excess capacity in the cable industry and full know-how is available in the country;

(d) if so, the reasons for the import and the steps being taken by Government to make best use of the excess capacity and know-how; and

(e) whether there is a persistent demand made by the cable industry for banning the import of all cables including 11 KV trailing and quarry mining cables and, if so, the reaction of Government to the demand and the action being taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) and (b). Certain types of telecommunication cables and power cables beyond 33 KV and other specialised categories of cables are permitted for import and the relevant figures of import for the period April 1968 to February, 1969, are given in the Statement laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in library. See* No. LT-2497/69]

(c) and (d). There was some underutilisation of capacity in the cable industry during the past 2 years because of slackening of demand of power cables by the Electricity Boards and other users, but the situation is reported to be improving. Technical know-how is available in the country except for power cables beyond 33 KV and for PVC cables above 1·1 KV.

The import of cables is restricted to types which are not being manufactured or are not manufactured in adequate quantities by the indigenous manufacturers.

Government have permitted manufacturers' to diversify into any "new article" upto 25% of the licensed capacity without a licence subject to certain conditions.

(e) No Sir.

कुछ राज्यों के विधायकों की 5वीं विचार गोष्ठी में विधान मंडलों के कृत्यों पर विचार-विमर्श

4961. **श्री मोलहू प्रसाद** : क्या **विधि तथा समाज कल्याण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उत्तर प्रदेश, बिहार, मध्य प्रदेश के विधायकों तथा दिल्ली महानगर परिषद के पार्षदों की अक्तूबर, 1969 में हुई पांचवीं विचार-गोष्ठी में लोकतन्त्र में विधान मंडलों के कृत्यों पर विचार किया गया था ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो किस-किस विभाग के किन-किन लोगों ने उक्त विचार गोष्ठी में भाग लिया था और उनके पद-नाम तथा पते क्या हैं;

(ग) इस विचार-गोष्ठी का आयोजन किस संस्था ने किया था और उस पर मदवार कितना-कितना खर्च हुआ; और

(घ) उक्त विचार गोष्ठी में व्यक्त किये गये मतों का ब्यौरा क्या है और किन-किन बातों पर मतैक्य रहा?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण मन्त्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री मु० यूनस सलीम) : (क) से (घ). यह प्रश्न प्रत्यक्ष रूप से लोक सभा में प्रक्रिया तथा कार्य संचालन नियम के नियम 41 के उपनियम (2) के खण्ड (VII) और खण्ड (XVI) के क्षेत्र में आता है और इस लिए सरकार के पास इस विषय में कोई भी जानकारी नहीं है।

अंधे तथा विकलांग बच्चों के लिए विश्व संगठनों द्वारा सहायता

4962. **श्री ओंकार लाल बेरवा** : क्या **विधि तथा समाज कल्याण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय संगठनों ने अंधे तथा विकलांग बच्चों को सहायता देने के बारे में घोषणा की है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो किन देशों ने उक्त घोषणा के बारे में सहमति प्रकट की है; और

(ग) इस सम्बन्ध में योजना की रूप रेखा क्या है ?

विधि मन्त्रालय और समाज कल्याण विभाग में राज्य मंत्री [डा० (श्रीमती) फूलरेणु गुह] : (क) ऐसी किसी घोषणा के बारे में हमें सूचना नहीं मिली है।

(ख) और (ग). प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

राउरकेला उर्वरक कारखाने में तैयार होने वाले उर्वरकों के अधिक मूल्य

4963. **श्री महाराज सिंह भारती** : क्या **इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि राउरकेला उर्वरक के मूल्य हमेशा अधिक होते हैं क्योंकि नेफ्था बहुत दूर से लाना पड़ता है और वहां उसका मूल्य 120 रुपये की बजाय 250 रुपये प्रति मीटरी टन है और एक कारण यह भी है कि अमोनियम नाइट्रेट नम जलवायु के कारण पिंडरूप धारण कर लेता है और उर्वरक तैयार करने के बाद जो कच्चा माल बच जाता है उसका फिर से उपयोग नहीं किया जा सकता; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस कारखाने को लाभ पर चलाने, नेफ्था को सस्ती दरों पर उपलब्ध कराने और नम जलवायु के अनुकूल कुछ

वस्तुओं का उत्पादन करने के लिये सरकार द्वारा क्या उपाय किये जा रहे हैं ?

इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कृष्ण चन्द पन्त) : (क) बरौनी में नैफथा का मूल्य 121 रुपये प्रति टन है और रेल भाड़ा, उत्पादन शुल्क और केन्द्रीय बिक्री कर आदि के कारण राउरकेला में इसका मूल्य लगभग 214 रुपये प्रति टन हो जाता है । अतः दूरी के कारण उत्पादन लागत में वृद्धि हो जाती है । फिर भी 18 मई, 1969 से जब एक विस्फोट के कारण नैफथा रिफार्मिंग यूनिट के रिफार्मर फर्नेस को क्षति पहुंची थी, उर्वरक कारखाने में नैफथा का प्रयोग नहीं किया गया है । अतः इस समय इस कारण से कोई अन्तर नहीं पड़ रहा है ।

राउरकेला के उर्वरक कारखाने में अन्तर्क्रिया पदार्थ के रूप में अमोनियम नाइट्रेट बनता है जिसे ठोस बनने से बचाने का ध्यान रखा जाता है तथा कैलशियम अमोनियम नाइट्रेट बनाने के लिए इसमें पिसा हुआ चूना पत्थर मिलाया जाता है ।

(ख) राउरकेला में नैफथा के अधिक मूल्य पर विचार किया गया है और इस अधिक मूल्य के बावजूद भी आशा है कि नैफथा रिफार्मिंग यूनिट की मरम्मत हो जाने के बाद जब पूरी क्षमता पर उत्पादन होने लगेगा तब राउरकेला उर्वरक कारखाना लाभ अर्जित करेगा ।

इस्पात कारखानों में हाईड्रोजन गैस के स्थान पर एल० एस० जी० डी० तेल का प्रयोग

4964. श्री महाराज सिंह भारती : क्या **इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि इस्पात कारखानों में ईंधन के रूप में प्रयोग की जा रही हाईड्रोजन गैस के स्थान पर एल० जी० डी० तेल का प्रयोग करने तथा उर्वरक तैयार करने के लिये इस गैस का प्रयोग करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र पन्त) : संभवतः माननीय सदस्य का अभिप्राय कोक ओवनगैस से है जिसमें हाइड्रोजन होती है । राउरकेला में, यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए कि कोक ओवन गैस की कमी से इस्पात कारखाने या उर्वरक कारखाने के सामान्य परिचालन पर कोई प्रतिकूल प्रभाव न पड़े, स्लैब री-हीटिंग फरनेसों में कोक ओवन गैस के प्रयोग के बजाय फरनेस आयल प्रयोग करने की सुविधाओं की व्यवस्था की जा रही है । भिलाई और दुर्गापुर कारखानों के सभी एककों को ईंधन की लगातार सप्लाई सुनिश्चित करने के लिए भी फरनेस आयल का प्रयोग करने का विचार है ।

राउरकेला में कोक ओवन गैस पर आधारित एक उर्वरक कारखाना है जहां से हाईड्रोजन प्राप्त की जाती है । हिन्दुस्तान स्टील लिमिटेड के दूसरे दो कारखानों के लिए ऐसे कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं हैं ।

घटिया किस्म के सीमेंट और सीमेंट की कम मात्रा वाली सीमेंट की बोरियों की बिक्री

4965. श्री प० ला० बारूपाल : क्या **औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि विभिन्न सीमेंट कारखानों की सीमेंट की ऐसी बोरियां अभिकर्ताओं द्वारा बेची जा रही हैं, जिनमें सीमेंट अपेक्षित मात्रा में नहीं होता;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि आजकल कारखानों में जो सीमेंट बनाया जा रहा है, वह पहले वाले सीमेंट की तुलना में कमजोर है;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि राजस्थान नहर के निर्माण में इसी घटिया किस्म की सीमेंट का प्रयोग किया जा रहा है और श्री-

गंगानगर जिले में भी इसका वितरण किया जा रहा है, और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) सरकार को कोई शिकायत प्राप्त नहीं हुई है ।

(ख) और (ग). जी नहीं, देश में उत्पादित सीमेंट भारतीय मानक संस्थान के मानकों के अनुरूप है ।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

SUPPLY OF STEEL BY TATA IRON AND STEEL COMPANY TO U.S.A.

4966. SHRI S. R. DAMANI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the U.S. Government has placed an order with the Tata Iron and Steel Company for the supply of 17,500 tonnes of steel costing more than one million dollars;

(b) if so, when this order was procured and the items to be supplied; and

(c) whether the prices offered are on par, or higher or lower than the export prices for similar items of the Hindustan Steel Limited?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) and (b). Tata Iron and Steel Company Limited are understood to have booked some orders for supply of about 27,000 tonnes of steel at a price exceeding $1 million from private parties in the U.S.A. No orders have been placed by the U.S. Government.

(c) There are only two common items for which orders have been booked both by Tata Iron & Steel Company and Hindustan Steel Limited. In both these cases the prices booked by Tata Iron & Steel Company were slightly lower than those of Hindustan steel Limited, but since the orders were booked at different points of time no conclusions can be drawn therefrom.

EXPENDITURE ON KHADI AND VILLAGE INDUSTRIES

4967. SHRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent in the year 1968-69 on the Khadi and Village Industries;

(b) the basis or criterion on which the above amount was spent; and

(c) whether Government propose to revise the same on the basis of the number of people depending on the industry?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) The Khadi and Village Industries Commission has informed that the expenditure incurred during 1968-69 for the development of Khadi and Village Industries from the funds sanctioned by Government and those available with the Commission is as under:

(Rs. crores)

	Khadi	V.I.	Total
Grant	8·98	1·56	10·54
Loan	3·98	6·84	10·82
Total :	12·96	8·40	21·36

(b) The basis on which the amount is spent is governed by the various patterns of assistance approved by the Commission and the Government from time to time. The expenditure was mainly on financial assistance for working capital and capital investment loans including share capital loans, grant for training and research and for procuring improved tools and equipment and subsidy for reducing the price differential or for increasing sales.

(c) Recently the Khadi and Village Industries Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri Ashok Mehta had, among other things, gone into the questions connected with employment in the traditional industry sector. The matter is at present being examined by Government in consultation with the State Governments.

CURTAILMENT OF PROPERTY RIGHTS

4968. SHRI RAM AVTAR SHARMA: SHRI YASHPAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to curtail property rights guaranteed under the Constitution;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what are the reasons for curtailing this fundamental right ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI M. YUNUS SALEEM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

MODERNISATION OF THAILAND STATE RAILWAY WITH INDIAN ASSISTANCE

4969. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a request has been made by the State Railway of Thailand for technical assistance in their programme of modernisation involving increase of efficiency of passenger trains with faster speeds increased axle load limits etc. ; and

(b) if so, to what extent the Government of India propose to provide assistance, guidance or collaboration on the above matters ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes.

(b) An officer of the Indian Railways was sent to Thailand to make a preliminary assessment of the needs and requirements of the State Railway of Thailand. The officer has submitted a report, while is under examination.

हिमाचल प्रदेश जिला मंडी में तहसील चाचीपोट में सवर्ण हिन्दुओं द्वारा अस्पृश्यता का व्यवहार

4970. श्री देवेन सेन : क्या विधि तथा समाज कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे :कि

(क) क्या यह सच है कि हिमाचल प्रदेश में मंडी जिले में चाचीपोट नामक तहसील में हरिजनों को सवर्ण हिन्दुओं के घरों तक को छूने की अनुमति नहीं है और यदि कोई हरिजन ऐसा करता है तो उसे दंड स्वरूप एक बकरी देनी पड़ती है और इस बात की पुष्टि उस राज्य के एक मंत्री ने भी की है ;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि अस्पृश्यता सम्बन्धी समिति के प्रतिवेदन से हरिजनों के साथ किये जाने वाले अत्याचारों तथा अभद्र व्यवहार के बारे में चिन्ता प्रकट की गई है, और ऐसी अन्य अनेक घटनायें होने की बात भी प्रकाश में आई है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उस समिति के प्रतिवेदन में उल्लिखित सिफारिशों को ध्यान में रखते हुए हरिजनों तथा अल्प संख्यकों के जीवन और उनके आर्थिक तथा सामाजिक हितों की रक्षा करने के लिए क्या सरकार का कोई कठोर कार्यवाही करने का या उस सम्बन्ध में कोई विधान बनाने का विचार है ;

(घ) यदि हां, तो कब; और

(ङ) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण है ?

विधि मंत्रालय और समाज कल्याण विभाग में, राज्य मंत्री [डा० (श्रीमती) फुलरेणु गुह] : (क) इस मामले पर राज्य सरकार को लिखा जा चुका है और उसके उत्तर की प्रतीक्षा है ।

(ख) से (ङ). अस्पृश्यता तथा अनुसूचित जातियों के आर्थिक और शैक्षणिक विकास से सम्बद्ध समिति की रिपोर्ट में अस्पृश्यता के कुछ उदाहरणों का उल्लेख किया गया है । अस्पृश्यता (अपराध) अधिनियम, 1955 को और प्रभावी बनाने के लिए सरकार उस में संशोधन करने के प्रश्न पर सक्रिय विचार कर रही है ।

PRODUCTION OF FILMS BY HINDUSTAN PHOTO FILMS MANUFACTURING CO. LTD. OOTACAMUND

4971. SHRI K. ANIRUDAN : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the reason for the slow pace of production in the Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Co. Ltd., Ootacamund;

(b) whether any export promotion has been thought of for this industry; and

(c) the additional target of production of raw film envisaged during the Fourth Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) The reason for the slow pace of production in the Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Co. Ltd., Ootacamund are as follows :-

(*i*) Hindustan Photo Films Co. Ltd., started producing the more difficult and sophisticated items in advance of the target dates in order to replace the in ports sooner.

(*ii*) Another factor is technical trouble which the firm ran into as it commenced switching over to newly developed indigenous raw material; this affected particularly the production of X-Ray Film.

(b) The question of export promotion would arise only after the Hindustan Photo Films Co. Ltd. reaches the stage when production outstrips the internal demand. All the same certain initial efforts have been made to enter the export market.

(c) No target for the additional production of Raw Film in the Fourth Plan has so far been fixed, but the estimated production of various photographic goods including raw film envisaged by the Hindustan Photo Films during the Fourth Plan is given below (Year-wise) :

	(Figures in million sq. meters)
1969-70	.. 2·772
1970-71	.. 4·72
1971-72	.. 6·75
1972-73	.. 7·50
1973-74	.. 9·20

पाकिस्तान से आई महिला शरणार्थियों को नई दिल्ली के नारी निकेतन में प्रवेश

4972. श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी : क्या विधि तथा समाज कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पाकिस्तान से आई कितनी महिला शरणार्थियों को नई दिल्ली में नारी निकेतन में प्रवेश दिया गया है ;

(ख) उनमें से कितनी महिलाओं ने विवाह कर लिए हैं और कितनी महिलाओं को उनके परिवार वालों के पास पहुंचा दिया गया है ;

(ग) उनमें से कितनी महिलाओं को पुनः बसाया जा चुका है; और

(घ) शेष महिलाएं कितनी हैं और उन्हें कब तक बसाये जाने की आशा है ?

विधि मंत्रालय और समाज कल्याण विभाग में राज्य मंत्री [डा० (श्रीमती) फूलरेणु गुह] : (क) पाकिस्तान से आई शरणार्थी स्त्रियों को नारी निकेतन में भर्ती नहीं किया जाता है। नारी निकेतन एक ऐसी संस्था है, जिसमें अविवाहित माताओं, निराश्रित स्त्रियों तथा न्यायालय द्वारा सुपुर्द की गई अन्य स्त्रियों की देखभाल की जाती है । दाखिले के समय शरणार्थियों में कोई भेदभाव नहीं किया जाता है ।

(ख) से (घ). प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

USE OF TEMPLE GOLD AND JEWELLERY FOR DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES

4973. SHRI S. M. KRISHNA : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government to bring a legislation to use Temple Gold and Jewellery for the development schemes in the country ; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI M. YUNUS SALEEM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Government do not consider it necessary to have any such measure for the present.

EMPLOYMENT OF WORKERS IN BHARAT HEAVY PLATES AND VESSELS, LTD.

4974. SHRI V. NARASIMHA RAO: SHRI MANGALATHUMADAM:

Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Bharat Heavy Plates and Vessels Plant management is recruiting skilled and unskilled workers beyond th State Rules ;

(b) if so, the action taken by his Ministry regarding employment in that plant; and

(c) the number of skilled and unskilled workers category-wise, recruited and the workers to be recruited ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) No Sir. There is nothing in the recruitment policy or practice followed by the Management of the Project which is contrary to the rules.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present there are 139 skilled workers and 35 semi-skilled workers. No permanent appointment has been made against unskilled vacancies. The casual labour employed for constructon against permanent unskilled vacancies is proposed to be absorbed to the extent possible. 690 skilled workers, 76 semi-skilled workers and 22 unskilled workers are proposed to be employed by the end of 1970. The corresponding figures of employment by the end of 1973 are likely to be 1303 skilled workers, 132 semi-skilled workers and 34 unskilled workers.

SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AROUND DELHI

4975. SHRI LOBO PRABHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) with reference to the report in the *Economic Times* of 17th October, 1969, how the Planning Commission approved the small scale industry around Delhi which is reported to be working at less than 50 per cent of capacity even in the privileged Okhla Estate;

(b) whether the Fourth Plan has considered the existing shortage of raw materials in approving of the further expansion of small scale industry; and

(c) how is it that quota for steel of the Director General of Technical Development was doubled when many small scale units were transferred from him to the small sector; and

(d) whether it is a fact that allocations of controlled commodities is made on population basis and not on established capacity of units and whether it was made with the concurrence of the Planning Commission?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) and (b). No specific approval or licensing is required for establishment of small scale industrial units.

(c) The allocations of steel for units on the books of the Director General of Technical Development are made on the basis of their requirements as assessed by the DGTD.

(d) No, Sir.

ABOLITION OF UPPER HOUSES IN STATES

4976. SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU: Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in view of the support in Parliament for abolition of Upper Houses in the States, Government propose to direct all States to pass Resolutions for the abolition of Upper Houses;

(b) if so, the reaction of the State Governments where Upper Houses are functioning; and

(c) whether any legislation is likely to be introduced in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI M. YUNUS SALEEM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

ACTION ON THE REPORT OF COMMISSIONER FOR SCHEDULED CASTES AND SCHEDULED TRIBES

4977. SHRI RAM CHARAN: Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the recommendations made by the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the report for the year 1964-65 have been implemented by Government;

(b) whether the States, Union Territories, and Local Bodies, like Municipal Corporation of Delhi, were also asked to implement those recommendations; and

(c) if so, the action taken in this regard by the Delhi Municipal Corporation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA] : (a) and (b). A statement of the action taken on the recommendations of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes made in his Annual Report for the year 1964-65 was placed on the Table of Lok Sabha on 22-12-1967.

(c) Relevant information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

SCHEME TO HELP EDUCATED UNEMPLOYED PERSONS

4978. SHRIMATI ILA PALCHOUDHURI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that scheme to help the educated unemployed pursue their own independent lines by providing them financial assistance to translate their ideas into practice, is under consideration of Government;

(b) If so, the details of the scheme; and

(c) when it is likely to be finalised and given effect to ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) and (b). : A scheme for 'Financial Assistance to Engineers, Technicians and other Technically Qualified Entrepreneurs for setting up Small Scale Industries' was formulated and circulated to the State Governments in October, 1968, as a 'Model Scheme' for inclusion by them for assistance within the State Sector. Following are the salient features of the Scheme :--

(1) The main objective of the Scheme is to encourage and assist technicians, engineers and also other qualified persons who are keen and capable of setting up and operating small scale industries, but are unable to do so owing to inadequate financial resources of their own, to set up such units.

(2) The schemes will be operated by the State Governments and Administrations of Union Territories, in the State Sector.

(3) All technicians, technologists, engineers and other Technically qualified persons such as Graduates in Science, Commerce etc. would be eligible for assistance, provided that they do not own, wholly or partially, any other industrial unit.

(4) The eligible persons may set up any small scale industry but preference will be given to the following industries :

(i) industries which help import substitution, export promotion or production of inputs for agriculture;

(ii) those which act as ancillaries to large scale undertakings;

(iii) those which produce essential consumer goods and are dependent mainly on indigenous raw materials; and

(iv) those which establish rural workshops.

(5) Initially the total financial assistance to a single unit may not exceed Rs. 6·00 lakhs in the case of small scale industries and Rs. 8·00 lakhs in the case of ancillary industries.

(6) The financial assistance may be given in the following froms;

(i) *Land, Building and Machinery* 40% in the form of State participation and wherever considered necessary another 55% as long term loan and balance of 5 % is to be raised by the technicians engineers etc.

(*ii*) *Working Capital*

20% as short term loan, 70% to be obtained from financial institutions and 10% to be raised by the entrepreneur himself.

(7) The loan provided for the purchase of machinery etc. should be repaid in 7 years whereas the other assistance given for other purposes should be repaid in 5 years subsequent to the 7 years.

(c) From the replies received from the State Governments, it is observed that 10 States/Union Territories have so far taken steps for rendering assistance to unemployed Engineers.

PILOT PROJECTS FOR CHILD WELFARE BY NETHERLANDS FOUNDATION

4979. SHRIMATI ILA PALCHAUDHURI : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Netherlands Foundation has been permitted to start Pilot Projects for Child Welfare covering Children in a block up to the age of 16 years on an experimental basis in a few States only;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the States where these Pilot Projects will first be started on an experimental measure;

(d) the total annual expenditure to be incurred on each project; and

(e) the share of the Central Government therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA] : (a) Yes, Sir. The Project will be taken up in one State only.

(b) The details of the Project are given in the Statement laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The project will be taken up in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

(d) and (e). An expenditure of 15 to 20 lakhs is expected to be incurred per year during the currency of the Project, which will be met by the Netherlands Foundation. There is no additional expenditure to be borne by the Government of India.

STATEMENT

The project intends to create an opportunity in India to develop better methods and techniques for the care of children.

It aims at making a concerted action-approach for the improvement of nutritional aspects, dissemination of nutritional education and the study of such social and economic factors as are important for the protection and welfare of the child and also for the care of the youth.

This is sought to be achieved through the improvement of the existing Primary Health Centre, its sub-centres and by the strengthening of Maternity and Child Health Services already available in Chevella Block in the district of Hyderabad in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

Assistance to the extent of 1½ to 2 million rupees per year is expected to be provided by the Foundation during the currency of the project.

COACH ATTENDANTS ON NORTH-EAST FRONTIER RAILWAY

4980. SHRI B. K. DASCHOUDHURY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the terms and conditions of the Coach Attendants on the Northeast Frontier Railway, when the posts were first created;

(b) the duties of Coach Attendants as are now being performed by them;

(c) whether the General Manager of the North-east Frontiers Railway has entrusted to them the work of issuing tickets to passengers or realising money on excess fare for conversion of tickets from lower class to higher class; and

(d) if so, the relevant orders and instructions of the Railway Board under which the General Manager has acted ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) No special terms and conditions were offered.

(b) A statement is attached.

(c) No. Coach Attendants on N.F. Railway have been authorised to collect reservation & surcharges for sleeper berths. The question of transferring this work to other staff is under consideration.

(d) Does not arise.

STATEMENT

Duties of Coach Attendants

1. To check that all internal fittings in the coach provided for the convenience and safety of passengers are intact and in working order and that water tanks have been filled and all fittings for supply and use of water in the bath rooms are in good working order.

2. To carry the list of passengers travelling in his coach, and accommodate passengers joining enroute under the direction/supervision of the Conductor/Guard of the train.

3. To keep the compartments locked when the train is on the run and open them for occupation as and when required.

4. To prevent entry of unauthorised passengers in his coach, especially in corridor.

5. To assist passengers in obatining food, refreshments and look after their convenience generally.

6. To keep the compartments, corridor, wash basins and mirrors clean during the run of the train and to ensure that bath rooms and the compartments are cleaned by Safaiwalas at regular intervals.

7. To attend to minor electrical/mechanical defects developing in the coaches and call maintenance staff concerned for attending to other repairs.

8. To check tickets of passengers, when they first enter the coach to occupy a berth/seat in the coach if a TTE/Conductor is not present there to exercise this check.

9. To issue reservation tickets after realising reservation fee and surcharges.

IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHEME FOR CONSOLIDATED TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE OF CONDUCTORS OF ALIPUR-DUAR JUNCTION AND OF T.T.Es. OF LUMDING DISTRICT (NORTH-EAST FRONTIER RAILWAY

4981. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the scheme of consolidated Travelling Allowance of Conductors of Alipur-Duar Junction and of Travelling Ticket Examiners of Lumding District has been implemented according to the instruction given by the Railway Board; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) The scheme of consolidated Travelling Allowance of Conductors of Alipur-Duar Junction has already been implemented. The question of granting a consolidated Travelling Allowance to Travelling Ticket Examiners of Lumding Division is under examination.

(b) The rosters of Travelling Ticket Examiners are being examined by the Railway for purposes of implementing the Board's directives.

UTILISATION OF TRAVELLING TICKET EXAMINERS AS INSPECTORS (NORTH-EAST FRONTIER RAILWAY)

4982. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) Whether the services of the Travelling Ticket Examiners of the Northeast Frontier Railway are being utilised as Inspectors;

(b) Whether the Northeast Frontier Railway has implemented the scheme for upgradation of post like Inspector in checking cadre as has been done in other Railways; and

(c) If not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) No.

(b) and (c). There is no scheme for upgradation of posts of Inspectors in the Ticket Checking cadre either on the Northeast Frontier Railway or on any other Railways.

BENEFIT OF SENIORITY TO SURPLUS STAFF APPOINTED AS TICKET COLLECTORS ON NORTH-EAST FRONTIER RAILWAY

4983. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the so-called surplus staff of other categories of the North-east Frontier Railway are being put into the category of Ticket Collectors with benefit of seniority;

(b) whether this measure has created serious discontentment among the Ticket Collectors;

(c) whether any representation against this order has been made to the authorities; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

टुंडला रेलवे कालेज में शिक्षकों तथा अन्य कर्मचारियों का स्थायीकरण

4984. **श्री शिव चरण लाल** : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि टुंडला रेलवे कालेज में उन शिक्षकों को भी जिन की सेवा छः वर्ष से अधिक हो गई है अभी तक स्थायी घोषित नहीं किया गया है;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि चतुर्थ श्रेणी के कुछ कर्मचारियों को, जिनमें एक हरिजन भी शामिल है, अभी तक स्थायी घोषित नहीं किया गया है;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि उपरोक्त तथ्यों के सम्बन्ध में कालेज के प्रधानाचार्य के विरुद्ध एक जांच की जा रही है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस सम्बन्ध में नवीनतम स्थिति क्या है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मैनन):(क) से (घ). सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

DOUBLE TRACK BETWEEN DELHI AND AMBALA VIA KARNAL (NORTHERN RAILWAY)

4985. SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are contemplating to double the Railway track between Delhi and Ambala *via* Karnal; and

(b) if so, by what time this is likely to be done ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) A Survey for doubling of the Subzimandi-Sonepat section has been undertaken and the Report is currently under examination.

(b) Unless a final decision is taken in this matter, it is not possible at this stage to indicate the likely time by which this work or part thereof would be undertaken.

CHETAK EXPRESS

4986. SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL : DR. KARNI SINGH :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the new train Chetak Express terminates only at Delhi Sarai Rohilla and does not go upto Delhi Junction;

(b) whether it causes a lot of harassment to the passengers bound for Delhi;

(c) whether Government have received some representations to extend it to Delhi; and

(d) if so, the action taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes.

(b) to (d). Some representations have been received for extension of the train to and from Delhi Main station which is not operationally feasible at present, for want of adequate terminal facilities there.

NON-PAYMENT OF NIGHT DUTY ALLOWANCE TO PARCEL AND GOODS CLERKS

4987. SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the night duty allowance is being given to the Booking Clerks and it is not being given to the Parcel and Goods Clerks; and

(b) if so, the reasons for discrimination ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) and (b).

Night duty allowance is admissible to Class III and Class IV Railway employees (including certain categories of workshop staff) whose pay is upto Rs. 470 per month and are classified as 'Continuous' or 'Intensive' under the Hours of Employment Regulations and perform duties between 22 hours and 6 hours. There is no discrimination between Booking and Parcel/Goods clerks in the matter of eligibility of this allowance.

CUTTACK-PARADEEP RAIL LINK

4988. SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR :
SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH :
SHRI RABI RAY :
SHRI N. K. SOMANI :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Orissa has recently drawn his attention to the delay in the completion of the Cuttack-Paradeep Rail Link; and

(b) the date by which the line is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes.

(b) As per the present schedule, the line is expected to be completed by the end of 1972.

बीकानेर रेलवे स्टेशन (उत्तर रेलवे) का विस्तार

4989. **श्री प० ला० बारुपाल:** क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उनके मंत्रालय ने उत्तर रेलवे के बीकानेर रेलवे स्टेशन तथा उसके प्रतीक्षालयों, स्नानागारों तथा पार्सल-घरों इत्यादि के विस्तार की कोई योजना बनाई है;

(ख) बीकानेर के लोगों की यातायात समस्याओं को हल करने के लिये वहां रेलवे फाटक पर पुल बनाने की योजना को स्थगित किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) यदि अब भी कोई योजना है तो उसे कब तक क्रियान्वित किये जाने की संभावना है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मैनन) : (क) जी हां। चार विश्राम कक्षों और एक भोजनालय की व्यवस्था सम्बन्धी निर्माण कार्य करीब-करीब पूरा हो गया है। हाल ही में पार्सल गोदाम और एक कमरे की व्यवस्था करके पार्सल कार्यालय का विस्तार किया गया है।

(ख) राजस्थान राज्य सरकार ने बीकानेर में समपारों के बदले ऊपरी पुलों की व्यवस्था के सम्बन्ध में अपना अन्तिम विनिश्चय नहीं भेजा है।

(ग) उपर्युक्त भाग (ख) के उत्तर को देखते हुए सवाल नहीं उठता।

बीकानेर डिवीजन (उत्तर रेलवे) में हाल्ट स्टेशन

4990. **श्री प० ला० बारुपाल :** क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उत्तर रेलवे के बीकानेर डिवीजन में जैतसर और मोहन नगर, रंग महल और पीली बंगान, पैरासून और बिग्गा, इल्लेनाबाद और खाननिया तथा हनुमानगढ़ और धोलीपाल रेलवे स्टेशनों के बीच हाल्ट स्टेशन, जिनकी योजना के उनके मंत्रालय द्वारा मंजूर की जा चुकी है कब तक चालू हो जायेंगे; और

(ख) उक्त हाल्ट स्टेशनों के क्रमवार नाम क्या हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मैनन) :(क) आशा है कि जैतसर और मोहन नगर के बीच और परासून और बिग्गा स्टेशनों के बीच गाड़ी हाल्ट 1970 में खुल जायेंगे। रंग महल और पीली बांगां स्टेशनों के बीच का गाड़ी हाल्ट 1971 में खोला जायेगा।

हनुमानगढ़ और धोतीपाल स्टेशनों के बीच गाड़ी हाल्ट खोलने के बारे में आगे कार्रवाई नहीं की जा सकती क्योंकि इस क्षेत्र के निवासियों के बीच इस सम्बन्ध में विवाद है कि हाल्ट स्टेशन कहां बनाया जाये।

जहां तक एलनाबाद और खनानियां के बीच गाड़ी हाल्ट का सम्बन्ध है, इस प्रस्ताव पर विचार किया जा रहा है।

(ख) खोले जाने वाले गाड़ी हाल्टों के नाम अभी तय होने हैं और राज्य सरकार तथा सर्वेक्षण प्राधिकारियों के परामर्श से इस मामले पर विचार किया जा रहा है।

VACANT BUILDING OUTSIDE KASTURBA NIKETAN LAJPAT NAGAR, NEW DELHI

4991. SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Administration has repeatedly requested the Central Government for the transfer of the vacant building near the Kasturba Niketan, Lajpat Nagar, New Delhi to it for running a library and other Social Welfare activities;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government have not responded to this request of the Delhi Administration so far; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (DR. SHRIMATI PHULRENU GUHA) : (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). No. Delhi Administration were informed that the building was required for the Social Welfare and Rehabilitation Directorate.

इंदारा और किरीहरापुर (पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे) रेलवे स्टेशनों के बीच साबूआरी गांव में हाल्ट स्टेशन

4992. **श्री सरजू पाण्डेय** : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे की इलाहाबाद-भटनी लाइन पर इंदारा और किरीहरापुर रेलवे स्टेशनों के बीच साबूआरी गांव में एक हाल्ट स्टेशन खोलने की कोई योजना सरकार के विचाराधीन है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त हाल्ट स्टेशन के खोलने में विलम्ब होने के क्या कारण हैं?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मैनन): (क) जी नहीं। 1968 में इंदारा और किरीहरापुर स्टेशनों के बीच गाड़ी हाल्ट खोलने के प्रस्ताव की जांच की गई थी और उसका औचित्य नहीं पाया गया।

(ख) सवाल नहीं उठता।

STRIKE BY WORKERS OF HEAVY ENGINEERING CORPORATION, RANCHI

4993. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that 1400 workers of the Heavy Engineering Corporation, Ranchi had gone on strike in the first week of October, 1969;

(b) if so, what were their demands;

(c) how many of the same were accepted when a compromise was reached between the workers and the management on or about the 13th November, 1969; and

(d) the amount of loss suffered by the corporation as a result of this strike ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) About 1200 workers trained in the Central Training Institute of Heavy Engineering Corporation Ltd., Ranchi, working in the different plants of the Corporation were on tool down strike in October-November, 1969. The workers of Heavy Machine Building Plant went on tool down strike from 6th October, 1969; the workers of Foundry Forge Plant and Heavy Machine Tools Plant went on token strike for one day on 16th October, 1969 and were on tool down strike from 27th October, 1969. The strike was called off on the 13th November 1969.

(b) These workers demanded benefits of leave, project allowance, seniority and gratuity from the date of their joining as trainees, fixation of separate scale of pay for senior artisans and also for being provided with opportunities for promotion, selection to other technical posts which are filled up by internal advertisement and deputation for training abroad.

(c) The following benefits were given to the workers on the advice of the Labour Superintendent and Conciliation Officer

of the State Government as a result of which the strike was called off :—

(i) benefits of Contributory Provident Fund from the date of completion of first year of training in Central Training Institute;

(ii) treating the period of training as period of service for the purpose of gratuity;

(iii) grant of project allowance to third batch trainees after completion of their training period;

(iv) increase of stipend by Rs. 40/- per month during the second year of training;

(v) to provide opportunities for promotion by creating suitable number of posts in the next higher grade.

(d) The approximate loss sustained during the period of strike by the trained workers was as follows :—

(i) October, 1969—Rs. 91·5 lakhs.

(ii) November, 1969—Rs. 85·2 lakhs.

TANNERIES AND FOOTWEAR CORPORATION

4994. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) when the Tanneries and Footwear Corporation of India was formed and the object thereof along with its constitution;

(b) the capital invested therein and the factories or concerns controlled or managed by it;

(c) the amount of profit or loss (approximately) incurred by it since its incorporation, month-wise; and

(d) the steps, if any, being taken to improve its earning capacity and financial position ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) The Corporation was registered on 22nd February, 1969 with the object of taking over from the British India Corporation Ltd., Kanpur, the fixed assets of their Cooper Allen and North West Tannery Units and run them in the Public Sector.

(b) The authorised capital of the Corporation is Rs. 1 crore and the present 'Paid up' is Rs. 15 lakhs. The Corporation runs two factories at Kanpur.

(c) The take-over was effected on the 23rd May, 1969, and the details of profit and loss will be known after the 31st March, 1970 when the financial year of the Corporation will be over.

(d) Every effort is being made to increase production and sales with a view to fully utilising the Corporation's capacity.

MEMORANDUM BY HARIJANS OF MYSORE STATE

4995. SHRI S. M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any memorandum has been submitted by the Harijans from Mysore State to the Central Government seeking improvements in the conditions of Harijans in that State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Central Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA]: (a) A document containing certain resolutions unanimously adopted on the 8th July, 1969 by the Mysore State Scheduled Castes (Untouchables) Convention-1969 has been received.

(b) and (c). Most of the demands covered under the various resolutions are the concern of the Mysore State Government and therefore a copy of the document has been sent to the State Government for necessary action. In so far as the resolutions pertain to the Central Government, a statement is attached.

STATEMENT

Mysore State Scheduled Castes (Untouchables) Convention—69—Resolutions Pertaining to Central Government and Government's views against each.

Sl. No.	Brief subject matter of resolutions
1.	Bhovis of Mysore should not be scheduled.
2.	The birthday of Shri Ambedkar should be declared a public holiday.

3. The Central and State Governments should set up High Power Commissions to assess the needs of the Scheduled Castes.

4. The Central Government should take a positive stand to introduce prohibition throughout India.

Government's views

1. The Bill for the revision of the lists of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is at present before Parliament.

2. This question was considered several times, but it was not found possible to include the birthday of Shri Ambedkar in the list of Public holidays.

3. A Parliamentary Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes has been set up. The State Governments have also been asked to set up similar committees at State level.

4. Prohibition is a state subject, but as Prohibition is one of the directive principles of the State policy, efforts are made by the Central Govt. to encourage this throughout India through education, propaganda etc. Offers have also been made to the State Govts. that the Centre would meet 50% of the loss in excise revenue on account of introduction of Prohibition in the States.

भारतीय रेलों के परिचारकों के लिये विश्राम कक्ष

4996. **श्री रामावतार शास्त्री** : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या प्रथम, द्वितीय तथा तृतीय श्रेणी के डिब्बों के परिचारकों की रेलवे-वार कुल संख्या तथा समस्त भारतीय रेलों में उनकी संख्या कितनी है;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि कई रेलवे में इन परिचारकों के लिये विश्राम कक्ष नहीं हैं; जहां वे काम खत्म करने पर विश्राम कर सकें तथा उन्हें दिन और रात जैसा भी हो, रेलवे प्लेटफार्मों पर गुजारनी पड़ती हैं;

(ग) यदि हां, तो किन-किन रेलवे में परिचारकों के लिये विश्राम कक्षों का कोई प्रबन्ध नहीं है;

(घ) क्या सरकार का विचार उन रेलों में जहां विश्राम कक्ष नहीं है, विश्राम कक्षों की व्यवस्था करने का है; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो कब तक और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(च) किन-किन स्टेशनों पर परिचारकों के विश्राम की व्यवस्था की गई है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन): (क) से (च). सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Inspectors/Sub-Inspectors Appointed as Prosecutors in Railway Protection Force

4997 **SHRI RAMAVATAR SHASTRI** : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry appointed Sub-Inspectors/Inspectors as Prosecutors in the Railway Protection Force for conducting cases of Railway properties in different Railways, and if so, how many departmental Railway Protection Force executive staff, having law qualifications, were appointed and in what rank;

(b) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry also appointed lawyers as direct recruits to make good the shortfall of Prosecutors in different Railways; and, if so, how many such appointments in different Railways were made and in what rank;

(c) whether it is further a fact that his Ministry directed the different Railways to nominate the names of the departmental Sub-Inspectors (Prosecution) who are law graduates for promotion to the rank of Inspector;

(d) if so, how many such names were recommended by different Railways and how their cases were disposed of; and

(e) whether it is also a fact that the Eastern Railway recommended the name

of only Sub-Inspector (Prosecution) for promotion as Inspector and the Ministry specifically ordered for promotion of the candidate, but discrimination was shown in the appointment in spite of the fact that the posts were extra-cadre?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes. The following departmental Railway Protection Force staff have been appointed on the Railways in different ranks shown against each :

Railway	Inspector Grade I	Inspector Grade II	Sub-Inspector Grade I
Eastern	1	1	1
Northeast Frontier	—	1	1
Northern	—	—	1
North Eastern	—	—	4
Central	—	—	2
Southern	—	—	1
South Eastern	—	—	1
Western	—	3	—
South Central	—	—	—

(b) Yes. The following appointments have been made on the various Railways by direct recruitment :—

Railway	Inspector Grade I	Inspector Grade II	Sub-Inspector Grade I
North Eastern	—	—	2
Central	—	—	2
South Eastern	—	—	2
Northeast Frontier.	—	—	1
South Central	—	—	3
Northern	—	—	4
Western	—	—	4*
Eastern	—	—	4
Southern	—	—	—

*(1 since resigned on 13-1-1969).

(c) Yes.

(d) No recommendations have been received so far.

(e) No.

पटना के निकट फुलवाड़ी शरीफ स्थित हिन्दुस्तान वहीकल्स कम्पनी (साइकल फैक्टरी) का बंद होना

4998. **श्री रामावतार शास्त्री** : क्या औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बिहार सरकार ने पटना के निकट फुलवाड़ी शरीफ स्थित हिन्दुस्तान वहीकल्स कम्पनी (साइकल फैक्टरी) को बन्द करने का निर्णय किया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो किस तारीख से तथा इसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) क्या सरकार ने उक्त कारखाने के श्रमिकों को जो बेरोजगार हो जायेंगे, अन्य रोजगार देने की कोई व्यवस्था बनाई है;

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ङ) क्या यह भी सच है कि उक्त कारखाने के बन्द होने के बाद बेरोजगार हुए श्रमिकों को कुछ सुविधाएं दी जायेंगी; और

(च) यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है?

औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) और (ख). बिहार सरकार के कहने पर 24 सितम्बर, 1965 को उद्योग (विकास तथा विनियमन) अधिनियम, 1951 के अन्तर्गत केन्द्रीय सरकार ने साइकिल बनाने वाले लाइसेंस प्राप्त हिन्दुस्तान वहीकल्स कम्पनी, पटना को अपने हाथ में ले लिया था तथा बिहार सरकार द्वारा नामित एक प्राधिकृत नियंत्रक नियुक्त किया गया था। प्राधिकृत नियंत्रक द्वारा प्रबन्ध को अपने हाथ में लेने से पूर्व ही कम्पनी

उसके पूर्व स्वामियों द्वारा बन्द कर दी गई थी। पूर्व प्रबन्धकों द्वारा अपने ऊपर ली हुई भारी देयताओं तथा अन्य कारणों से केन्द्रीय सरकार के हाथों में आ जाने के पश्चात् भी उत्पादन प्रारम्भ नहीं किया जा सका।

(ग) से (च). बिहार सरकार से सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है तथा सभा-पटल पर रख दी जायेगी।

ELECTRIFICATION OF KAIPADAR ROAD STATION, KHURDA DIVISION (SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY)

4999. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the Kaipadar Road Station under the Khurda Division in the South Eastern Railway has not yet been electrified; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken to electrify this Station ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes.

(b) As the electricity is not available at Kaipadar Road Station, it is not possible to take up the electrification of this station at present.

चलते फिरते मतदान केन्द्रों का बनाया जाना

5000. **श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी :**
श्री यज्ञदत्त शर्मा :
श्री रामगोपाल शालवाले :
श्री जगन्नाथराव जोशी :
श्री शारदानन्द :
श्री बृज भूषण लाल :
श्री सूरज भान :

क्या विधि तथा समाज कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) चलते-फिरते मतदान केन्द्र बनाने के बारे में सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है; और

(ख) गत अनुभव के आधार पर इस सम्बन्ध में क्या निर्णय किये गये हैं तथा किये जाने की संभावना है ?

विधि मंत्रालय और समाज कल्याण विभाग में उपमन्त्री (श्री मु० यूनस सलीम) : (क) और (ख). सुलतानपुर संसदीय निर्वाचन क्षेत्र से हुए उपनिर्वाचन में चलते-फिरते मतदान केन्द्रों की प्रणाली अपनाने के परिणामस्वरूप निर्वाचन आयोग को यह अनुभव हुआ है कि समग्र निर्वाचन प्रक्रिया की दृष्टि से कुछ निश्चित लाभ हुए हैं। यह देखा गया कि स्थावर मतदान केन्द्रों की अपेक्षा ऐसे चलते-फिरते मतदान केन्द्रों में मतदान की प्रतिशतता बहुत अधिक थी। इसके अतिरिक्त, इसके कारण एक ही स्थान में बसे हुए समाज के निर्बल वर्गों के मतदाताओं का बड़े पैमाने पर अभिन्नास, अभ्यर्थियों द्वारा या उनकी ओर से दी गई गाड़ियों में मतदाताओं के लिए मुफ्त सवारी और अभ्यर्थियों द्वारा निर्वाचन पर अत्यधिक व्यय जैसे भ्रष्ट आचरण और अपराध कम हो गए हैं। इस सफल अनुभव को दृष्टि में रखते हुए, निर्वाचन आयोग का यह प्रस्ताव है कि भावी निर्वाचनों में ऐसे स्थानों पर चलते-फिरते मतदान केन्द्र बनाने की स्कीम का प्रयोग किया जाए, जहां कि ऐसी कोई आशंका है या हो सकती है कि जनता का कोई भी वर्ग निर्वाचनों के समय जनता के निर्बल वर्गों के मतदाताओं का बड़े पैमाने पर अभिन्नास कर सकता है।

कम्पनियों के निदेशकों तथा प्रबन्धकों के वेतन

5001. **श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी :**
श्री यज्ञदत्त शर्मा :
श्री रामगोपाल शालवाले :
श्री जगन्नाथराव जोशी :
श्री शारदानन्द :
श्री बृज भूषण लाल :
श्री सूरज भान :

क्या औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की

कृपा करेंगे कि वे कौनसी कम्पनियां (गैर-सरकारी तथा सरकारी) हैं जिनके निदेशक तथा प्रबन्धक 5000 रुपये मासिक अथवा इसके अधिक के ग्रेड में हैं और उनमें से प्रत्येक को वास्तव में कितना वेतन दिया जाता है ?

औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : कम्पनी अधिनियम, 1956 के विनियमित उपबन्धों द्वारा, केवल, पब्लिक लिमिटेड कम्पनियों के निदेशकों अथवा प्रबन्धकों के पारिश्रमिक की शर्तों का शासन होता है; एवं अधिनियम के अन्तर्गत प्राइवेट लिमिटेड कम्पनियों की बाबत, पारिश्रमिक का ऐसा कोई विनियम नहीं है, जब तक कि वे पब्लिक लिमिटेड कम्पनियों की सहायक न हो। पब्लिक लिमिटेड कम्पनियों तथा उन प्राइवेट लिमिटेड कम्पनियों, जो पब्लिक लिमिटेड कम्पनियों की सहायक है, के उन निदेशकों तथा प्रबन्धकों के बारे में सूचना, जो 5000 रु० से अधिक पारिश्रमिक प्राप्त कर रहे हो, संकलित की जा रही है, तथा सदन के पटल पर प्रस्तुत कर दी जायेगी।

CENTRAL ASSISTANCE TO SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES IN WEST BENGAL

5002. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the assistance, if any, given by the Centre during the last three years to save, promote, and develop small scale industries in West Bengal; and

(b) the positive result of such assistance?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) and (b). The development of small scale industries is primarily the responsibility of the State Government. The Government of India, however, helps in establishing Industrial Estates and also offers technical assistance through the Development Commissioner, Small Scale Industries. The Central assistance sanctioned to the Government of West Bengal during the last three years is as follows :—

	Development of SSI Loans	Grants	Industrial Estates Loans
	(Rs. Lakhs)		(Rs. in Lakhs)
1966-67	6·90	3·17	3·31
1967-68	2·40	5·00	10·00
1968-69	7·73	4·82	1·65

In addition to the above, the Development Commissioner operates a Small Industries Service Institute at Calcutta which provides technical guidance to small scale entrepreneurs in the State of West Bengal. The National Small Industries Corporation also offers hire-purchase facilities by obtaining machinery, both indigenously and abroad. A prototype Production-*cum*-Training Centre is functioning at Howrah where training is provided in various trades and prototypes are developed for the benefit of small industrialists.

Six Industrial Estates have been set up by the State Government at Kalyani, Howrah, Saktigarh, Siliguri and Baruipur (2 units). Except the Estate at Siliguri, which has been taken over by the Defence Department, the other five Estates are functioning and are providing employment to 2,363 persons.

DECISION ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF ELAYAPERUMAL COMMITTEE

5003. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1329 on the 29th July, 1969 and state :

(a) whether Government have received comments of the various State-Governments and Union Territories on the recommendations of the Elayaperumal Committee on Untouchability; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government there to?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA : (a) and (b). Replies from the various State Governments and Union Territory Administrations are still awaited. Major recommendations of the Committee are proposed to be discussed in a conference of State Ministers incharge of the welfare of Backward Classes.

आयातित ट्रैक्टरों का मूल्य

5004. **श्री रघुवीर सिंह शास्त्री:**
श्री न० रा० बेवघटे :

क्या औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) इस वर्ष विदेशों से सरकार द्वारा आयात किये गये विभिन्न प्रकार के ट्रैक्टर में से प्रत्येक ट्रैक्टर का आयातित मूल्य कितना है;

(ख) कृषकों को प्रत्येक किस्म का ट्रैक्टर किस मूल्य पर बेचा गया;

(ग) ट्रैक्टर के आयातित मूल्य तथा विक्रय मूल्य में इतना अधिक अन्तर होने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(घ) ट्रैक्टरों के आयात के सम्बन्ध में अगले वर्ष के लिए बताये गये कार्यक्रम का ब्यौरा क्या है?

औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) से (घ)० सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

अप्पात प्रतिस्थापन के संबंध में वांचू समिति का प्रतिवेदन

5005. **श्री रघुवीर सिंह शास्त्री** : क्या औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या आयात प्रतिस्थापन के सम्बन्ध में वांचू समिति ने अपना प्रतिवेदन प्रस्तुत कर दिया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके मुख्य निष्कर्ष तथा सिफारिशें क्या हैं;

(ग) सरकार द्वारा उन पर क्या निर्णय किया गया है; और

(घ) यदि उक्त प्रतिवेदन अब तक प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है तो इसके कब तक प्राप्त हो जाने की संभावना है?

औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) से (घ). आयात प्रतिस्थापन पर गठित उच्चस्तरीय समिति जिसके अध्यक्ष औद्योगिक विकास विभाग के सचिव हैं, इस क्षेत्र में हुई प्रगति की लगातार देख-भाल करने तथा समय-समय सही दिशा में कार्य करने सम्बन्धी निदेश देने के लिये स्थायी समिति के रूप में कार्य करेगी। अतः इस समिति द्वारा इस सम्बन्ध में किसी प्रतिवेदन प्रस्तुत किये जाने का प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

ट्रैक्टर फैक्टरियां स्थापित करने के लिए आवेदन पत्र

5006. **श्री रघुवीर सिंह शास्त्री** : क्या औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वे फर्में कौन सी हैं जिन से सरकार को इस वर्ष ट्रैक्टर फैक्ट्रियां स्थापित करने के लिए अनुमति प्राप्त करने के हेतु आवेदन पत्र प्राप्त हुए हैं;

(ख) उक्त आवेदन पत्रों में निर्दिष्ट उत्पादन क्षमता, ट्रैक्टरों की अश्वशक्ति तथा विदेशी मुद्रा की आवश्यकताओं के सम्बन्ध में ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) उन पर सरकार द्वारा क्या निर्णय किया गया है; और

(घ) यदि कोई निर्णय नहीं किया गया है तो कब तक निर्णय किये जाने की संभावना है?

औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) से (घ). कृषि ट्रैक्टर बनाने के लिये नीचे लिखे प्रस्तावों को सरकार ने सिद्धांत रूप से स्वीकार कर लिया है :—

क्र० सं०	भारतीय पार्टी का नाम	ट्रैक्टर की किस्म और अश्वशक्ति	वार्षिक क्षमता की सं०	पार्टी के आवेदन में दिखाई गई आवश्यक विदेशी मुद्रा (लाख रुपयों में)
1	2	3	4	5
1.	मेसर्स गाजियाबाद इंजीनियरिंग कम्पनी प्रा० लि०, नई दिल्ली।	डी० टी०-14-वी० (14 अ० श०)	10,000	398.00
2.	मे० इंडियन एग्रोमशीन्स, बम्बई।	आर० एस०-09 (20 अ० श०)	10,000	172.00
3.	डा० आर० के० मल, हैदराबाद।	गल्डन (4 किस्में) (15–45 अ० श०)	10,000	140.00
4.	मे० एस्कोर्टस लि०, नई दिल्ली।	फोर्ड-3000 (46 अ० श०)	6,000	259.00
5.	मे० किर्लोस्कर ब्रदर्स लि०, पूना।	डयूज (4 किस्में) (27–75 अ० श०)	10,000	310.00
6.	मे० परफैक्ट ट्रैक्टर्स लि०, पटियाला।	हनोमग (32 अ० श०)	5,000	120.00
7.	मे० प्रेम एग्रोइंजीनियरिंग कारपोरेशन, दिल्ली।	यू०-500 (50 अ० श०) यू०-650 (65 अ० श०) यू०-651 (65 अ० श०)	5,000	270.00

चालू वर्ष में प्राप्त हुए निम्नलिखित प्रस्ताव अभी सरकार के विचाराधीन हैं :—

1.	मे० ओटोमोबाइल प्रोडक्टस आफ इंडिया लि०, बम्बई।	वी० एम० सी०-4 (25 अ०श०)	12,000	करवाया नहीं गया है।
2.	मे० इस्टीयर इंडिया लि० बम्बई।	स्टीयर (44 अ० श०)	12,000	—वही—
3.	मे० भारत इंडस्ट्रीज एण्ड कमर्शियल कारपोरेशन, कलकत्ता।	यू० ई० आई० (35अ०श०) यू० ई० आई० (45अ० श०)	10,000	200.00

प्रस्तावों पर आगामी दो-तीन महीनों में निर्णय लिये जाने की संभावना है।

एक्स-रे फिल्मों का उत्पादन, वितरण तथा आयात

5007. **श्री ओंकार लाल बेरवा** : क्या **औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने एक्स-रे फिल्मों का निर्माण आरम्भ करने के पश्चात् आयात लाइसेंस जारी करना बन्द कर दिया था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी उच है कि भारत में बनाई जाने वाली एक्स-रे फिल्मों को प्रत्यक्ष रूप से नहीं बेचा जा रहा है बल्कि इन एक्स-रे फिल्मों को काले बाजार में डाक्टरों के हाथ बेचा जा रहा है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो भारत में एक्स-रे फिल्मों की मांग कितनी है;

(घ) हम इस मांग को किस हद तक पूरा करने की स्थिति में हैं;

(ङ) क्या सरकार ने इस के लिए फिर से आयात लाइसेंस देना आरम्भ कर दिया है; और

(च) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) हिन्दुस्तान फोटो फिल्म में तैयार की गई एक्स-रे फिल्में अधिकृत विक्रेताओं द्वारा बेची जा रही हैं। सरकार को चोर बाजार में इनके बेचे जाने का कोई मामला प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है।

(ग) देश की वर्तमान एक्स-रे फिल्मों की अनुमानित आवश्यकता 10 लाख वर्ग मीटर प्रति वर्ष है।

(घ) 1968-69 में एक्स-रे फिल्मों का उत्पादन 3.55 लाख वर्ग मीटर था तथा इसके 1969-70 में 7.15 लाख मीटर तक बढ़ जाने की आशा है।

(ङ) और (च)० किसी भी स्थिति में एक्सरे फिल्मों का आयात बन्द नहीं किया गया था। देशी उत्पादन से पूरी न की जा सकने वाली एक्स-रे फिल्मों की आवश्यक मांग को पूरा करने की सीमा तक फिल्मों का आयात बराबर किया जा रहा है।

नई दिल्ली स्टेशन पर देहरादून एक्सप्रेस का रुकना

5008. **श्री ओंकार लाल बेरवा** : क्या **रेलवे** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देहरादून एक्सप्रेस जो पहले दिल्ली मेन स्टेशन पर रुका करती थी अब केवल नई दिल्ली स्टेशन पर रुकती है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) जी नहीं। 19 डाउन/20 अप बम्बई सेन्ट्रल-देहरादून एक्सप्रेस गाड़ियां नयी दिल्ली और दिल्ली दोनों ही स्टेशनों पर ठहरती हैं।

(ख) सवाल नहीं उठता।

INDIA'S ASSISTANCE FOR LAYING RAILWAY TRACKS IN SYRIA

5009. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the progress of laying Railway tracks for a certain port town in Syria, a project report for which was submitted to Government some time ago; and

(b) by what time the work is likely to be taken in hand and what kind of assistance or guidance India is offering ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) and (b). It is understood that the State Trading Corporation of India have submitted an offer to the Government of Syria for providing expert technical advice for a detailed

location survey, planning and execution and supply of Rails, Rolling stock and other materials for a new railway line in Syria. The reaction of the Government of Syria to this offer is awaited.

ALLOWANCES DRAWN BY CHAIRMAN, KHADI AND VILLAGE INDUSTRIES COMMISSION

5010. SHRI S.C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the headquarters of the Chairman of Khadi and Village Industries Commission is in Bombay;

(b) whether the Chairman of the Commission is entitled to D.A. during his frequent sojourn in New Delhi;

(c) the amount of D.A. and other allowances drawn during air travel by the Chairman; and

(d) the detailed break-up of the actual amount drawn by him for his visits to and sojourn in Delhi between August, 1969 and 15th October, 1969?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Chairman of the Commission is entitled to T.A. and D.A. for journeys performed in connection with the discharge of his functions.

(c) During air travel besides air fare the Chariman of the Commission draws incidental charges of Rs. 10 only, as admissible under the rules applicable to his grade in Government service.

(d) During the period in question, Rs. 276 were drawn by the Chairman for his journey from Delhi to Bombay. The details are as follows :

Date of travel	14-8-1969
	Rs.
Amount of T.A. drawn	266·00
Incidental charges	10·00
Total amount drawn	276·00

SPEEDING UP OF DELHI-AHMEDABAD MAIL

5011. SHRI D.N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the preliminary tests have shown that it is possible to increase the speed of the Delhi-Ahmedabad Mail; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to introduce fast moving trains on this line and, if so, when ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Preliminary tests have not been completed yet.

(b) Does not arise.

कोच क्लर्कों, टैली क्लर्कों तथा टिकट कलक्टरों की नियुक्ति

5012. **श्री मोलहू प्रसाद** : क्या **रेलवे** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) रेलवे सेवा आयोग, इलाहाबाद द्वारा नवम्बर, 1966 में कोच क्लर्कों, टैली क्लर्कों तथा टिकट कलक्टरों के कितने पदों के लिए विज्ञापन दिया गया था;

(ख) उक्त पदों सम्बन्धी लिखित परीक्षा तथा साक्षात्कार (इंटरव्यू) में कितने अभ्यर्थी सफल हुए;

(ग) तालिका में कितने अभ्यर्थियों के नाम रखे गये थे तथा उक्त तालिका कब बनाई गई थी;

(घ) उनमें से नियुक्त किये गये अभ्यर्थियों की संख्या के बारे में पूर्ण ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ङ) यदि कोई भी अभ्यर्थी नियुक्त नहीं किया गया है, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) से (ङ). सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जायेगी।

डिवीजनल सुपरिन्टेन्डेंट कार्यालय, लखनऊ की उच्च शक्ति प्राप्त समिति का प्रतिवेदन

5013. **श्री मोलहू प्रसाद** : क्या **रेलवे** मंत्री 11 मार्च, 1969 के अतारांकित प्रश्न

संख्या 2486 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या डिवीजनल सुपरिन्टेंडेंट कार्यालय लखनऊ की उच्च शक्ति प्राप्त समिति की विभिन्न सिफारिशों की जांच कर ली गई है और उन पर एक अन्तिम निर्णय कर लिया गया है अथवा इस सम्बन्ध में आवश्यक कार्यवाही कर ली गई है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका पूर्ण ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इस सम्बन्ध में असाधारण विलम्ब के किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) और (ग). इस सम्बन्ध में 29 जुलाई, 1969 को पूछे गये अतारांकित प्रश्न 1208 के उत्तर की ओर ध्यान दिलाया जाता है।

(ख) फिलहाल रेलों पर सुरक्षा और पुलिस की व्यवस्था के सम्बन्ध में उच्चाधिकार समिति की विभिन्न सिफारिशें विचाराधीन हैं।

दैनिक "आज" के सम्पादक के नाम पत्र

5014. **श्री मोलहू प्रसाद:** क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उनके मंत्रालय का ध्यान 'पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे और हिन्दी' शीर्षक के अन्तर्गत 21 नवम्बर, 1969 के दैनिक 'आज' में प्रकाशित सम्पादक के नाम पत्र की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या उस पत्र में लिखी बातें ठीक हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उनके मंत्रालय द्वारा उस पर क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) जी हां।

(ख) और (ग). पत्र में लिखी बातें आंशिक रूप से सही हैं। पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे के हिन्दी संगठन में कर्मचारियों की संख्या बढ़ाने के प्रश्न पर सरकार विचार कर रही है।

हरिजनों के लिए समुद्रपार छात्रवृत्तियां

5015. **श्री रामगोपाल शालवाले :**
श्री नारायण स्वरूप शर्मा :
श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी :
श्री रणजीत सिंह :

क्या **विधि तथा समाज कल्याण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) विदेशों द्वारा दी गयी छात्रवृत्तियों पर कितने हरिजन विद्यार्थियों को उच्च शिक्षा के लिये विदेशों को भेजा गया है;

(ख) क्या उच्च शिक्षा के लिये विदेश भेजे जाने वाले विद्यार्थियों में अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित जनजातियों के विद्यार्थियों के लिये कोई निश्चित प्रतिशतता आरक्षित की गई है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

विधि मंत्रालय और समाज कल्याण विभाग में राज्य मंत्री [डा० (श्रीमती) फूलरेणु गुह] : (क) 1966-67 में अनुसूचित जातियों के केवल एक छात्र को विदेश भेजा गया था। उसके बाद अनुसूचित जातियों के किसी भी छात्र को नहीं भेजा गया है।

(ख) नहीं, श्रीमान्।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(घ) विदेशी सरकार द्वारा दी गई छात्रवृत्तियों के लिए उम्मीदवारों का चयन अखिल भारतीय आधार पर पूर्णतया गुण को देखते हुए किया जाता है। अन्य बातें बराबर होने पर पिछड़े वर्गों तथा पिछड़े क्षेत्रों के उम्मीदवारों को, अलबत्ता, कुछ वेटेज दिया जाता है।

जोनल रेलवे में हिन्दी पर्यवेक्षक

5016. **श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री :** क्या रेलवे मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) जोनल रेलवे में कुल कितने हिन्दी पर्यवेक्षक हैं और उनके वेतनमान क्या हैं;

(ख) उनमें से कितने अपने वेतनमान का अधिकतम प्राप्त कर रहे हैं और कब से प्राप्त कर रहे हैं;

(ग) क्या सम्बन्धित कर्मचारियों अथवा अन्य व्यक्तियों ने इस सम्बन्ध में रेलवे बोर्ड अथवा उनको कोई अभ्यावेदन दिया है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो सरकार द्वारा इस स्थिति को सुधारने के लिए क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) और (ख). सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

(ग) और (घ). जी हां। मध्य रेलवे के हिन्दी पर्यवेक्षक से इस आशय का एक अभ्यावेदन मिला था कि अपने वेतनमान के अधिकतम पर रुके हुए कर्मचारियों को राहत दी जाए और इस कोटि के कर्मचारियों के वेतनमानों का युक्तिकरण किया जाए ताकि उनका वेतनमान और हैसियत गृह मन्त्रालय के अन्तर्गत इसी प्रकार के कर्मचारियों के समान कर दी जाए। इन मांगों पर विचार किया गया था, लेकिन इस बात को देखते हुए इनका औचित्य नहीं पाया गया क्योंकि ये कर्मचारी पहले से ही तीसरे दर्जे के उच्चतम वेतनमान में हैं और इस समय रेलों सहित केन्द्रीय सरकार के सभी कर्मचारियों के वेतन के ढांचे में परिलोधन पर प्रतिबन्ध लगा हुआ है।

रेलगाड़ियों से सम्बद्ध विभागीय भोजनयानों में घटिया किस्म का भोजन दिया जाना

5017. **श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री :**
श्री शिवकुमार शास्त्री :

क्या रेलवे मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि रेलगाड़ियों से सम्बद्ध विभागीय भोजनयानों में उपलब्ध खाना बहुत घटिया किस्म का है;

(ख) क्या इस सम्बन्ध में कुछ शिकायतें भी प्राप्त हुई हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या भोजन की किस्म सुधारने का विचार है यद्यपि इसकी कीमत में वृद्धि करनी पड़े ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) शिकायतें मिली हैं, लेकिन भोजन-यान एक विस्तृत क्षेत्र और अनेक राज्यों से होकर गुजरता है, जिसे देखते हुए कोई विशेष प्रतिकूल बात सामने नहीं आयी।

(ग) प्रत्येक विशिष्ट शिकायत की जांच करने और निवारक कार्रवाई करने के अलावा खानपान व्यवस्था में सुधार के लिए जो अन्य कदम उठाए गए हैं वे सामान्यतः ये हैं :—

(i) खान-पान यूनिटों में काम करने वाले रसोइयों और अन्य कर्मचारियों का उचित प्रशिक्षण।

(ii) खान-पान यूनिटों में आधुनिक उपस्करों और साधनों को उपयोग में लाना।

(iii) भोजन बनाने के लिए अच्छी किस्म के कच्चे माल की खरीद।

(iv) कर्मचारियों के काम सम्बन्धी पर्यवेक्षण कार्य अधिक कड़ा करना; और

(v) कर्मचारियों को दक्षता और शिष्टतापूर्ण सेवा प्रदान करने की शिक्षा देना।

भोजन-व्यवस्था में सुधार के लिए जो कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं, उन्हें देखते हुए इस समय सभी रेलों के शुल्कदर में सामान्यतः कोई बढ़ती करने का विचार नहीं है।

राजभाषा (संशोधन) अधिनियम, 1967 को कार्यान्वित करने के लिए क्षेत्रीय रेलवे द्वारा अतिरिक्त राजपत्रित तथा अराजपत्रित कर्मचारियों की मांग

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(क) क्या यह सच है कि राजभाषा (संशोधन) अधिनियम, 1967 को कार्यान्वित करने के लिए क्षेत्रीय रेलवे ने अतिरिक्त राजपत्रित तथा अराजपत्रित कर्मचारियों की मांग की है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो अधिनियम को शीघ्र कार्यान्वित करने के लिए इन अतिरिक्त राजपत्रित तथा अराजपत्रित पदों के निर्माण के लिए कब तक मंजूरी दिए जाने की सम्भावना है?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) और (ख). कुछ समय पूर्व, रेल प्रशासनों से यह कहा गया था कि वे अनुवाद सम्बन्धी काम की कामचलाऊ व्यवस्था की समीक्षा करें और यदि उन्हें अतिरिक्त पदों की आवश्यकता हो तो, उसके लिए अपने प्रस्ताव भेजें। कुछ क्षेत्रीय रेलों के प्रस्ताव अभी प्राप्त नहीं हुए हैं। जैसे ही सभी रेलों से प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हो जाएंगे, हिन्दी के काम के लिए अतिरिक्त कर्मचारियों की व्यवस्था करने के प्रश्न पर विचार किया जाएगा।

विदेशों में नौकरी ढूंढने वाले इस्पात कारखानों के इंजीनियर

5019. श्री महाराज सिंह भारती : क्या इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) सरकारी क्षेत्र के विभिन्न इस्पात कारखानों के कारखानेदार कितने इंजीनियरों ने विदेशों में नौकरी के लिए आवेदन पत्र भेजे हैं;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि विदेशों में नौकरी के लिए अधिकांश आवेदन पत्र अर्थात् लगभग 200 आवेदन पत्र दुर्गापुर इस्पात कारखाने के कर्मचारियों द्वारा भेजे गए हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं और सरकार द्वारा इस सम्बन्ध में क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है?

इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र पन्त) : (क) से (ग). जानकारी प्राप्त की जा रही है और एक विवरण सभा पटल पर रख दिया जाएगा।

इस्पात कारखानों के "रोलिंग मिलों" की क्षमता

5020. श्री महाराज सिंह भारती :

क्या इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकारी क्षेत्र के इस्पात कारखानों के "रोलिंग मिल" की दक्षता बहुत कम है और जो क्षमता वहां उपलब्ध है उसे पूर्ण रूप से उपयोग में नहीं लाया जा रहा है;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इस बात के बावजूद भी कि टाटा आयरन एण्ड स्टील की इस्पात उत्पादन क्षमता केवल 20 लाख मीटरी टन है और इसके पास रोलिंग मिल की 30 लाख मीटरी टन की क्षमता है; तथा

इसको कच्चे लोहे की सप्लाई सरकारी कारखानों द्वारा की जाती है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो सरकारी क्षेत्र के इस्पात कारखानों को हानि से बचाने के लिए क्या उपाय अपनाए जा रहे हैं ?

इस्पात तथा भारी इंजीनियरिंग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र पन्त): (क) हिन्दुस्तान स्टील लिमिटेड के बेलन मिलों की क्षमता उनकी इस्पात पिंघलाने की क्षमता के अनुसार है। चूंकि इस्पात उत्पादन अभी पूरी क्षमता तक नहीं पहुंचा है अतः साधारणतः बेलन क्षमताओं का पूरा उपयोग नहीं हुआ है।

1968-69 में विक्रेय इस्पात की स्थिति इस प्रकार रही :—

(हजार टन)

कारखाना	विक्रेय इस्पात की उत्पादन क्षमता	विक्रेय इस्पात का वास्तविक उत्पादन	3:2 का प्र०श०
1	2	3	4
भिलाई	1965	1344	68.4
दुर्गापुर	1239	500	40.36
राउरकेला	1225	773	63.1

(ख) जमशेदपुर स्थित टाटा आइरन एण्ड स्टील कम्पनी की वार्षिक क्षमता 20 लाख पिण्ड टन है जो 15 लाख टन विक्रेय इस्पात के रूप में बेलित किया जा सकता है। कुछ तकनीकी और परिचालन के कारणों से टिस्को के पिण्ड उत्पादन में कमी हुई है, अतः वे दुर्गापुर इस्पात कारखाने से इस वर्ष लगभग 100,000 टन इस्पात पिण्ड खरीद रहे हैं किन्तु बेलन मिलों के परिचालन में कुछ कठिनाइयों के कारण अभी इनको बेलित नहीं कर सकते हैं।

(ग) वर्तमान परिस्थितियों में दुर्गापुर इस्पात कारखाने से टिस्को को इस्पात पिण्ड सप्लाई किए जाने से दुर्गापुर के स्टील मेल्टिंग शाप की क्षमता का बेहतर उपयोग होगा।

Doubling of Track from Tambaram to Villupuram (Southern Railway)

5021. **SHRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been finalised for doubling the track between Tambaram and Villupuram; and

(b) if so, when it will be implemented and, if not, when it will be finalised ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) and (b). There is no proposal at present to double the section Tambaram-Villupuram, as the existing capacity of the section is considered adequate to meet the demands of the traffic offered.

Doubling of Railway Line between Ernakulam and Alwaye

5022. **SHRI K. ANIRUDHAN:**
SHRI MANGALATHUMADAM :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work of doubling the Ernakulam-Alwaye Railway line has been taken up in hand as included in the Annual Plan for 1969-70;

(b) the stage at which the work stands; and

(c) when it is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) Yes.

(b) Land acquisition is in progress and tenders for earthwork and bridges have been invited.

(c) No target date has yet been fixed. The work may take about 2½ years for completion.

ISSUE OF LICENCES TO INDUSTRIAL HOUSES

5023. SHRI ISHAQ SAMBHALI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many industrial licenses have been issued so far since the Monopoly Inquiry Commission's Report was submitted to Government; and

(b) how many of these licenses have been given to the 75 Industrial Houses listed in the Commission's Report ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) The total number of industrial licences issued since the submission of the Monopoly Inquiry Commission's Report to Government upto 30th September, 1969, is 1180.

(b) Of these, 310 licences were granted to industrial undertakings connected with the 75 Industrial Houses listed in the Commission's Report.

UPGRADATION OF PROMOTIONAL BENEFITS TO CLASS III AND IV RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

5024. SHRI SURAJ BHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railwaymen in Class III and Class IV categories have been promised upgradation of promotional benefits;

(b) if so, why the announcement is being delayed;

(c) whether it is also a fact that upgradation of promotional benefits has already been implemented in the case of Class I Officers on the Railways; and

(d) if so, the reason why similar benefits were not given to Class III and Class IV staff simultaneously with Class I.

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) and (b). The question of affording some relief to Class III and Class IV categories who may have reached the maximum of their pay scales for some time is under detailed investigation and it will take a little more time to finalise it. Since several categories are involved, the examination is naturally time-consuming.

(c) Yes, to some extent.

COMMISSION OF INQUIRY TO PROBE INTO AFFAIRS OF BIG BUSSINESS HOUSES

5025. SHRI RABI RAY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has requested the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to select a judge to head the proposed Commission of Inquiry to probe into the affairs of some of the big business Houses, including the Birlas; and

(b) if so, when Government propose to announce the names of members of the proposed Commission and its terms of reference ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court was requested to suggest the name of a judge to head the proposed Commission of Inquiry.

(b) The terms of reference and composition of the proposed Commission are under the consideration of the Government and are expected to be announced shortly.

VISIT BY MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING TO ROURKELA STEEL PLANT

5026. SHRI RABI RAY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Minister of State for Steel and Heavy Engineering visited the Rourkela Steel Plant last month; and

(b) if so, the purpose of his visit and the result thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) This was one of my normal periodical visits to the plants which provide an

opportunity for personal assessment of the various problems in discussion with the Plant Management. The visit served this purpose.

BOOKLET ENTITLED UNTOLD STORY ABOUT H.E.C.

5027. SHRI KARTIK ORAON: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a booklet entitled "Untold Story", has been published about the Heavy Engineerigg Corporation Ltd., Ranchi detailing the favouritism and nepotism practised in this national project;

(b) whether Government have studied this booklet; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) No such booklet has been brought to the notice of Government but on enquiry H.E.C. Management have reported that an anonymous pamphlet entitled "Untold Story" was published by some unknown person. It contained vague allegations against certain Officers of H.E.C.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) H.E.C. Management do not consider it necessary to take any action in regard to the pamphlet.

WORLD TOUR OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, HEAVY ENGINEERING CORPORATION LTD., RANCHI

5028. SHRI KARTIK ORAON: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Deputy Chairman of the Heavy Engineering Corporation Ltd., Ranchi has just left for the world tour;

(b) if so, the nature of work for which such a journey was found necessary;

(c) the amount of foreign exchange involved; and

(d) the amount of work done by him and whether the nature of work is the same as that of the Chairman who has just returned from world tour ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINSTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) and (b). The Deputy Chairman of Heavy Engineering Corporation Ltd. Ranchi, has recently returned after a tour abroad. The object of the tour was to expedite the finalisation of agreements with various foreign parties for technical collaboration. The tour was to U.S.S.R., Czechoslovakia, Poland, West Germany, France, U.K., U.S.A., Canada and Japan.

(c) This is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(d) The work abroad was divided between the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman and the tours were so arranged that both of them would not be away at the same time.

FOREIGN TOUR OF CHAIRMAN, HEAVY ENGINEERING CORPORATION LTD., RANCHI

5029. SHRI KARTIK ORAON: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chairman of the Heavy Engineering Corporation Ltd., Ranchi, had been on a world tour recently; and

(b) if so, the nature of work for which such journey was found necessary;

(c) the amount of foreign exchange involved; and

(d) the amount of work done and whether there was any work of similar nature left out ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) and (b). In August-September, 1969, the Chairman of Heavy Engineering Corporation Ltd., Ranchi, visited U.S.S.R., Czechoslovakia , West Germany, France, U.K. and the United Arab Republic. The visits were primarily for expediting negotiations with various foreign parties for technical collaboration and for exploring the possibilities of experts.

(c) 150 pounds sterling.

(d) The purpose for which the tours were undertaken was served.

औद्योगिक संस्थानों में पूंजी विनियोजन तथा उत्पादन

5030. **श्री देवेन सेन :** क्या **औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य** मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) निम्नलिखित औद्योगिक संस्थानों का उनकी स्थापना के समय इनकी कुल कितनी पूंजी थी:

(1) बड़ौदा कमर्शियल कारपोरेशन प्राइवेट लिमिटेड,

(2) दिग्विज स्पिनिंग एण्ड वीविंग कम्पनी लिमिटेड;

(3) कोटे प्रापर्टीज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड,

(4) प्रीमियर पैट्रो-केमिकल्स लिमिटेड,

(5) गिन्नर्स एण्ड प्रेसर्स प्राइवेट लिमिटिड,

(6) नोटम एण्ड कम्पनी प्राइवेट लिमिटेड,

(7) पोलीकैम (प्राइवेट) लिमिटेड,

(8) रामदास तुलसीदास एण्ड कम्पनी लिमिटेड,

(9) रोहतास इंडस्ट्रीज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड,

(10) साहू जैन इण्डस्ट्रीज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड; और

(ख) उनकी वर्तमान पूंजी कितनी है और निर्धारित क्षमता की तुलना में गत वर्ष उनका वास्तविक उत्पादन कितना था ?

औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) और (ख). सूचना संग्रह की जा रही है व यह सदन के पटल पर प्रस्तुत कर दी जाएगी।

NEW STATION BUILDING FOR SAKRI STATION (NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY)

5031. SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to make a new Station building (like the one at Laheria Sarai) at Sakri station North Eastern Railway;

(b) if so, when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Facilities already provided at Sakri Station are adequate for the present volume of traffic dealt with at this station.

THROUGH BOGIE FROM JAYNAGAR TO SAHARSA (OR SUPAUL) (NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY)

5032. SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government plan to attach a through bogie from Jaynagar to Saharsa (or Supaul) to any convenient train connection;

(b) if so, when; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI P. GOVINDA MENON): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Lack of traffic justification.

SHUNTING AND VAN GOODS TRAINS ON GANDHIDHAM-BHILDI SECTION OF AJMER DIVISION (WESTERN RAILWAY)

5033. SHRI ISHAQ SAMBHALI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Shunting and Van Goods trains on the Gandhidham-Bhildi Section of Ajmer Division (Western Railway) are run with double crew and Guard with Rest Van;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there is no arrangement of electricity, fan and water in such Rest Vans;

(c) whether it is further a fact that there is no arrangement for cook and cooking facilities in the Rest Vans;

(d) whether the staff working on such trains are required to work for 96 hours by changing duties enroute with the resting staff in an un-equipped Rest Van;

(e) if so, the action taken to provide them meals in the Rest Van during such a long period of duty; and

(f) the steps taken to relieve them of such long hours of duty when facilities for food are lacking ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) Yes.

(b) Water is provided in the over-head tank but electric lights and fans are not provided in the Rest Vans.

(c) Cooking facilities are provided in the Rest Vans but not cooks.

(d) Staff are not ordered to work for 96 hours. They come back to Headquarters within 30 to 40 hours. The crew change after 12 hours.

(e) and (f). Either the staff carry the cooked food with them or arrange to cook the same in the Rest Vans themselves. Meals are also available to the staff at Running Rooms at Radhanpur and Bhildi enroute.

LEAVE RESERVE GUARDS GRADE 'B'.

5034. SHRI ISHAQ SAMBHALI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railway Board has provided Leave Reserve Guards Grade 'B' to meet the shortage in Grades 'A' and 'B';

(b) whether it is also a fact that such Leave Reserve Guards Grade 'B' have to sit idle very often for want of vacancy in Grade 'B' or 'A' and are thus deprived of their day's milage, i.e. 160 K.Ms. being the minimum;

(c) whether it is further a fact that the All India Guards Council have already represented to him in writing to provide them at least 160 K.M.s for the day they are to sit idle, to protect their wages; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to protect their day's compensation when they remain idle for want of vacancy in Grade 'B' or 'A' ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) Yes.

(b) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

RAILWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL, GANDHIDHAM (AJMER DIVISION).

5035. SHRI ISHAQ SAMBHALI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) wheher it is a fact that the Railway Primary School at Gandhidham (Ajmer Division) has a strength of 350 students and is manned by 4 teachers only, whereas one teacher can coach only 45-50 students under the rules;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Inspector of Schools has also objected to this and has complained regarding withdrawal of the recognition of the school and also grant, for not complying with the rules;

(c) whether it is further a fact that nearly 100 students have been refused admission to the said school; and

(d) the action being taken to accommodate the further flow of children and to increase the staff strength accordingly ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) The school has a strength of 256 students and is manned by 4 teachers. The number of teachers is considered adequate as some classes are working in shifts.

(b) Not in the recent inspections.

(c) Yes.

(d) In view of the fact that there are seven other local schools, six of which are within a radius of about a mile from the railway colony, it is not proposed to take any action in the matter.

देश में हरिजन कल्याण होस्टलों में अधीक्षक

5036. **श्री केदार पाण्डेय :** क्या **विधि तथा समाज कल्याण मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) देश में हरिजन कल्याण होस्टलों में हरिजनों तथा सवर्ण हिन्दू अधीक्षकों की पृथक-पृथक संख्या तथा प्रतिशतता क्या है;

(ख) यदि हरिजन अधीक्षकों की प्रतिशतता कम है, तो सरकार का इस सम्बन्ध में कब सुधार करने का विचार है; और

(ग) यदि हरिजन अधीक्षकों की प्रतिशतता बढ़ाने का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

विधि मंत्रालय और समाज कल्याण विभाग में राज्य मंत्री [डा० (श्रीमती) फूलरेणु गुहा]: (क) से (ग). यह सूचना राज्य सरकारों तथा संघ राज्य क्षेत्र प्रशासनों से एकत्रित की जा रही है तथा प्राप्त होते ही सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

OLD AGE PENSION SCHEME IN HIMACHAL PRADESH

5037. SHRI P. C. ADICHAN: Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the old age pension scheme was in force in part of Himachal Pradesh which had been transferred from the Punjab under reorganisation scheme;

(b) if so, whether after transfer of these areas to Himachal Pradesh, Government have not allowed the old age pension in any fresh cases of persons belonging to these areas; and

(c) if the reply to part (b) above be in the affirmative, the reasons for rescinding the scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA]: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Persons who were getting old Age Pension under the old Punjab Scheme, continue to get it.

(c) The question does not arise because only the pensions awarded under the Punjab Scheme continue to be paid. There is no other Old Age pension Scheme in operation in Himchal Pradesh.

PRODUCTION OF STEEL

5038. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) the present production of steel in each Plant in the public sector and in the private sector;

(b) what production capacity the existing plants will have by the end of Fourth Plan Plant-wise and how the increase in production is being ensured; and

(c) how long will it take to start producing the steel that is being imported in the country and what steps have been taken in this direction ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL and HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) The production of saleable steel during the period April-October, 1969 was as under:—

	(in '000 tonnes) April—October, 1969
Public Sector	
Bhilai Steel Plant . .	821·3
Durgapur Steel Plant .	263·9
Rourkela Steel Plant .	460·3
Private Sector	
Tata Iron & Steel Co. . .	831·3
Indian Iron & Steel Co. .	328·3

(b) The installed capacity unit-wise as anticipated by the end of the Fourth Five-Year Plan in terms of steel ingots will be as follows:

	(in million tonnes)	
Tata Iron & Steel Co.	2·0	
Indian Iron & Steel Co.	1·3	(the existing capacity of 1 million tonne is proposed to be increased by 0·3 million tonnes with the help of a World Bank Loan)
Bhilai Steel Plant	2·5	
Durgapur Steel Plant.	1·6	
Rourkela Steel Plant	1·8	

	(in million tonnes)	
Bokaro Steel Ltd.	1·7	(First stage of Bokaro at present under construction)

(c) Most of the types of steel presently being imported are produced in the country. They are, nevertheless, imported because the demand is in excess of the domestic supply available. Steps are being taken to the extent of resources available, financial and otherwise, to increase production to catch up with the demand.

INCOME-TAX PAID BY FILM COMPANIES

5039. SHRI ARJUN SINGH BHADORIA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state the names of the Directors alongwith the name of their shareholders of:

(i) Bombay Film Laboratories Pvt. Ltd., Bombay, (ii) Associated Film Industries Pvt. Ltd., Bombay, (iii) Motimahal Theaters Pvt. Ltd., Delhi, (iv) Chitralok (P) Ltd., Bombay, (v) Filmalaya (P) Ltd., Bombay, (vi) Filmistan Pvt. Ltd., Bombay, and (vii) Johar Films (P) Ltd., Bombay ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): The information is being collected and it will be laid on the Table of the House.

झांसी-मानिकपुर तथा सीतापुर के बीच रेलवे लाइन

5040. **श्री जगेश्वर यादव :** क्या रेलवे मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि झांसी-मानिकपुर रेलवे लाइन को सीतापुर से, जो भारत के एक महत्वपूर्ण तीर्थ स्थान चित्रकूट से सबसे निकट है, नहीं जोड़ा गया, जिसके परिणामस्वरूप लाखों यात्रियों को वहां पर बस द्वारा जाना पड़ता है, क्योंकि चित्रकूट या सीतापुर रेलवे स्टेशन के बीच की दूरी 5 मील है;

(ख) क्या सरकार इस लाइन को भरतपुर से बराब्ता पार्लीकोठ, या सीतापुर तक ले जाने के लिए सर्वेक्षण करेगी, ताकि इसे पुनः कारवी स्टेशन से मिलाया जा सके; और

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि इस लाइन के इस मोड़ से इस लाइन की लम्बाई केवल एक या दो फर्लांग बढ़ सकती है और भरतपुर तथा कारवी स्टेशनों की बीच वर्तमान लाइन द्वारा चित्रकूट को मिलाना भी संभव हो सकता है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन): (क) से (ग). यद्यपि सीतापुर किसी रेलवे लाइन से जुड़ा हुआ नहीं है, फिर भी सीतापुर को मिलाने के लिए वर्तमान रेल-पथ का मार्ग परिवर्तन करने अथवा चित्रकूट (वर्तमान स्टेशन) से सीतापुर तक एक शाखा लाइन बनाने पर काफी खर्च आएगा और इसलिए अभी इस प्रस्ताव का औचित्य नहीं समझा जाता।

दिल्ली रेलवे स्टेशन पर तीसरे दर्जे के स्थान के लिए आरक्षण

5041. **श्री जगेश्वर यादव:** क्या रेलवे मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि तीसरे दर्जे के डिब्बों में आरक्षण कराने के लिए यात्रियों को पुरानी दिल्ली रेलवे स्टेशन पर तीन बार पंक्ति में खड़ा होना पड़ता है क्योंकि आरक्षण खिड़की तथा टिकट खिड़की अलग-अलग स्थानों पर है और इससे यात्रियों को इस प्रयोजन के लिए 5-6 घण्टे बर्बाद करने पड़ते हैं; और

(ख) क्या यात्रियों की सुविधा को दृष्टि में रखते हुए सरकार का विचार स्थानों के आरक्षण तथा टिकट जारी के लिए केवल एक खिड़की रखने की व्यवस्था करने का है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन): (क) और (ख): यह सही है कि इस समय यात्रियों को अपना नाम लिखवाने, टिकट खरीदने और आरक्षण टिकट लेने के लिए अलग-अलग पंक्तियों में खड़ा होना पड़ता है। लेकिन काउन्टर पास-पास हैं और आरक्षण कराने में सामान्यतः केवल चन्द मिनट लगते हैं। भीड़-भाड़ के समय अधिक समय लगता है, लेकिन वह

भी दो घण्टे से अधिक नहीं होता। टिकट देने एवं आरक्षण की संयुक्त प्रणाली प्रारम्भ करने के प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन हैं।

झांसी-मानिकपुर रेलवे सेक्शन (मध्य रेलवे) पर रेल सम्पत्ति की नीलामी तथा पुल का निर्माण

5042. **श्री जगेश्वर यादव:** क्या रेलवे मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि झांसी-मानिकपुर रेलवे लाइन (मध्य रेलवे) पर केन तथा बेतवा नदियों पर पुलों से निकाले गए गर्डरों तथा टाई राड बहुत ही कम दामों पर नीलामी के लिए पड़े हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या इस रद्दी माल में से आठ गर्डरों तथा टाई राडों या अप्रयुक्त रेलवे डिब्बों/माल डिब्बों की टीन की चादरों से बांदा जंक्शन (मध्य रेलवे) पर 3 फुट या 6 फुट चौड़ा पैदल चलने का ऊपरी पुल बनाने की मंजूरी सरकार देगी;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि उत्तर रेलवे कालोनी, पुलिस क्वार्टरों, जी० पी० ओ० आदि में रह रहे, काम कर रहे व्यक्तियों को इस लाइन को पार करने में बड़ी कठिनाई होती है;

(घ) क्या यह भी सच है कि समय बचाने के लिए लाइन को पार करते समय अनेक लोग गाड़ियों के नीचे आ जाते हैं और इस पैदल पुल को बनाने में अधिक व्यय की भी आवश्यकता नहीं होगी; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो इस पुल का निर्माण कब किए जाने की सम्भावना है?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) जी, नहीं। पुलों से निकाले गए गर्डर पहले ही बेचे जा चुके हैं।

(ख) ऊपर (क) के उत्तर को देखते हुए सवाल नहीं उठता।

(ग) जी, नहीं। वहां पहले से ही दो समपार मौजूद हैं जिनमें से एक बांदा स्टेशन के एक ओर और दूसरा दूसरी ओर स्थित है।

(घ) कुछ व्यक्ति अनधिकृत रूप से रेलवे लाइन पार करते समय गाड़ी के नीचे आ चुके हैं। ऊपरी पैदल पुल बनाना रेलवे के हित में नहीं है।

(ङ) सवाल नहीं उठता।

डीजल इंजनों तथा भाप चालित इंजनों के ड्राइवर, सहायक ड्राइवर, शंटर की पृथक श्रेणी

5043. **श्री वंश नारायण सिंह :**
श्री हुकमचन्द कछवाय :

क्या रेलवे मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि रेलवे बोर्ड ने 3 फरवरी, 1958 के अपने परिपत्र संख्या ई० (एस० आई०) 57 और आर० एस० 6 और 19 अप्रैल, 1958 के जी० एस० पी० उत्तर रेलवे पत्र संख्या 831 ई० 285 ई० के अनुसार डीजल इंजनों के ड्राइवर, सहायक ड्राइवर, शंटर तथा अन्य कर्मचारियों को भापचालित इंजिनों के ड्राइवर तथा सहायक ड्राइवर से पृथक श्रेणी कर दी है;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इंजन सहायक तथा शंटर की श्रेणी भापचालित इंजन के शंटर की श्रेणी से भापचालित इंजन के शंटर की श्रेणी से केवल पृथक ही नहीं की गई है, अपितु उनके वेतन तथा संगचल भत्तों का भी पुनरीक्षण कर दिया गया है;

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि उत्तर रेलवे के डीजल इंजन ड्राइवरों का वेतन तथा संगचल भत्ते नहीं बढ़ाए गए;

(घ) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ङ) इस बारे में सरकार का भविष्य में क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) और (ख). डीजल रेल इंजनों पर नियुक्त कर्मचारियों की भर्ती, प्रशिक्षण, वेतनमान और भत्ते के युक्तिकरण के लिए रेलवे बोर्ड ने 3 फरवरी, 1958 को आदेश जारी किये जिनमें निर्दिष्ट डीजल रेल इंजनों के ड्राइवरों, सहायकों और डीजल शंटरों के वेतनमान और रनिंग भत्तों की दरें वहां हैं जो भाप रेल इंजनों पर पदनुरूपी पदक्रमों में क्रमशः प्रथम फायरमैन 'बी', शंटर 'ए', और ड्राइवरों के लिए लागू होती हैं। पहली फरवरी, 1965 से ड्राइवरों के सहायकों के वेतनमान और रनिंग भत्तों में संशोधन किया गया और उन्हें भाप रेल इंजनों के प्रथम फायरमैन "ए" के समान कर दिया गया।

(ग) से (ङ). सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

OVERBRIDGE ON RAILWAY CROSSING AT JAIL ROAD, DELHI CANTT.

5044. SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Railway crossing on Jail Road, Delhi Cantt., is a cause of major transport bottleneck in that area;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a proposal has been made for an over-bridge on that crossing by the Delhi Administration; and

(c) if so, what is the decision of Government on this proposal ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) This is a busy level crossing where traffic gets held up when gates are closed for passage of trains and shunting movements.

(b) and (c). In October, 1964, a tentative proposal for replacement of this level crossing by a road over-bridge was received from the Delhi Administration, but no firm proposal has, however, been received by the Railway so far.

यात्रा टिकट परीक्षकों तथा टिकट कलेक्टरों को संगचल कर्मचारियों का दर्जा देना

5045. **श्री भारत सिंह चौहान :**
श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय:

क्या रेलवे मन्त्री 29 अप्रैल, 1969 के अतारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 7980 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान केन्द्रीय श्रम अधिकारी के पत्र संख्या 3/ई० 26/2 (ए० डी० जे०) पी० टी० सेकण्ड दिनांक 29 सितम्बर, 1968 की ओर दिलाया गया है और यदि हां, तो उस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है;

(ख) क्या उपरोक्त पत्र में यह उल्लेख किया गया है कि रेलवे में काम कर रहे यात्रा टिकट परीक्षकों तथा टिकट कलेक्टरों के पास संगचल कर्मचारियों में शामिल किए जाने के लिए अपेक्षित अर्हताएं हैं और यदि हां, तो इस सम्बन्ध में सरकार का विचार क्या कार्यवाही करने का है;

(ग) क्या यात्रा टिकट परीक्षकों तथा टिकट कलेक्टरों को केन्द्रीय सरकारी नियमों के खण्ड 4 (ग) की धारा 71 (क) के अनुसार निरन्तर सेवा में माना गया है और उनके कार्य का भी उनके सेवा नियमों के अनुसार संगचल कर्मचारियों के समान समझा गया है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इन यात्रा टिकट परीक्षकों तथा टिकट कलैक्टरों को संगचल कर्मचारियों में शामिल न किए जाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) और (ख). सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

(ग) काम के घन्टे विनियमों की व्यवस्थाओं के अनुसार चल टिकट परीक्षकों को 'निरन्तर' कोटि में रखा गया है। जहां तक टिकट कलेक्टरों का सम्बन्ध है, उनका वर्गी-

करण उनके कार्यभार के अनुसार 'निरन्तर' अथवा 'अनिवार्यतः सविरामी' के अन्तर्गत किया गया है। चल टिकट परीक्षकों और टिकट कलैक्टरों के कर्त्तव्य रनिंग कर्मचारियों के समान नहीं है।

(घ) सवाल नहीं उठता।

रेलवे दुर्घटनाओं में अन्तर्ग्रस्त रेलवे कर्मचारियों के विरुद्ध विभागीय जांच

5046. **श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :** क्या रेलवे मन्त्री 12 अगस्त, 1969 के अतारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 3202 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) 2796 रेल दुर्घटनाओं के लिए जिम्मेदार कर्मचारियों में से कितने कर्मचारियों के विरुद्ध विभागीय जांच की गई और इस सम्बन्ध में कितने मामले न्यायालयों में दायर किए गए; और

(ख) विभागीय जांच के परिणामस्वरूप कितने व्यक्तियों के विरुद्ध आरोप साबित हुए और उनके खिलाफ सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) और (ख). सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

बम्बई और दिल्ली (पश्चिम रेलवे) के बीच चलने वाले प्रथम श्रेणी के डिब्बों के संचालकों को समयोपरि भत्ता

5047. **श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :** क्या रेलवे मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) बम्बई तथा दिल्ली के बीच चलने वाली पश्चिम रेल डाक गाड़ियों के प्रथम श्रेणी के डिब्बों में इस समय कितने संचालक काम कर रहे हैं;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि नियमों के अनुसार उपरोक्त कर्मचारियों से एक महीने में 231 घण्टे से अधिक काम करने के लिए नहीं कहा जा सकता;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि अतिरिक्त घण्टों में काम करने के लिए उन्हें समयोपरि भत्ता दिया जाता है;

(घ) यदि हां, तो उन्हें अब तक कितना समयोपरि भत्ता दिया गया है;

(ङ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं;

(च) क्या रेलवे प्रशासन को रेलवे टिकट जांच कर्त्ता कर्मचारियों से कोई शिकायत मिली है; और

(छ) यदि हां, तो क्या शिकायत मिली है और उस पर सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) चार।

(ख) से (ङ). इन कंडक्टरों के मामले में सामान्य काम के 231 घन्टे की निर्धारित सीमा का आकलन, जिस अवधि में काफी व्यस्त रहते हैं उसका पूरा लाभ देकर और जिस अवधि में वे बहुत कम काम करते हैं या कोई काम नहीं करते, उसका आनुपातिक लाभ देकर किया जाता है और इस आधार पर उन्हें कोई समयोपरि भत्ता देय नहीं होता। लेकिन, रेल प्रशासन इन कंडक्टरों को उनके काम के घन्टों का पूरा लाभ देकर उनके काम के घन्टों में परिवर्तन करने के लिए कदम उठा रहा है।

(च) जी, नहीं।

(छ) सवाल नहीं उठता।

BREAK IN SERVICE DUE TO PARTICIPATION IN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES DURING BRITISH PERIOD

5048. **SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD: SHRIMATI SAVITRI SHYAM: SHRI JHARKHANDE RAI: SHRI SHRIPATI MISRA :**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railway Board issued instructions in January, 1960 to count the

period of break in service caused by participation in political activities during the British period, for the purposes of seniority and promotion;

(b) if so, whether any discretionary power has been given to the Heads of Departments to ignore the claims of any category of political sufferers for such benefits; and

(c) if not, why discrimination has been shown in the case of the Acting President of the All India Railway Ministerial Staff Association, Izatnagar Branch, who has been denied the benefits even before the independence of the country ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) Yes.

(b) Instructions were issued in 1949 prescribing guidelines for grant of benefits to political sufferers in terms of which the Railway administrations can dispose of claims themselves.

(c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

PAYMENT OF DIFFERENT PRICES AND RATES TO WAGON BUILDERS

5049. SHRI ARJUN SINGH BHADORIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had agreed to pay different prices and rates to wagon builders for the year 1969-70;

(b) if so, whether any wagon builder offered to supply more wagons at cheaper prices as compared to rates to be paid to the other wagon builders; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the number of wagons for which orders have been placed on each supplier is far less and that the wagon builders have been paid lower prices, in spite of the fact that a large number of wagons were supplied in a short time to a foreign country ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Orders placed on the individual wagon builders are considered to be adequate on the basis of their actual performance in the recent past. The prices of wagons were determined after receiving offers from the wagon builders and negotiating the same with them. The prices offered are considered reasonable.

CLOSURE OF COMPANIES REGISTERED UNDER COMPANIES ACT

5050. SHRI RAM AVTAR SHARMA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Companies registered under the Companies Act, which ceased functioning during the last year and also during the current year, so far; and

(b) the reasons for their closure ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) Five hundred and seventy-two companies ceased to function during 1968 and 321 during ten months of the current year *viz.* January, 1969 to October, 1969.

(b) The information about the reasons for closure for such a large number of companies is not readily available.

IMPROVEMENT OF MANGALORE RAILWAY STATION

5051. SHRI LOBO PRABHU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the plans for the enlargement and improvement of the Mangalore Railway Station to coincide with the Mangalore Harbour Project and the Hasen-Mangalore line; and

(b) if the overhead bridges are not constructed, whether it is possible to have a common platform at the end of the lines ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) The following metre gauge facilities are proposed at Mangalore in connection with the Hassan-Mangalore new line;

(i) Passenger lines—2 Nos. with platform faces (one Mixed Gauge and one Metre Gauge line).

(ii) Tranship platform line for parcels.

(iii) Carriage washing line.

(iv) Carriage stabling line.

(v) Sick line.

(vi) Shunting neck.

In addition to the Metre Gauge facilities, the following Broad Gauge facilities are also in progress:

(i) Island platform 900 feet long with a parcel transhipment platform at one end.

(ii) A foot over-bridge connecting the new island platform with the existing main platform.

(iii) Extension of existing main platform by 250'-0".

(iv) Separate fish loading siding with a platform and godown.

(v) Coaching, stabling and Maintenance facilities.

(b) There is no proposal for a common platform at the end of the lines. Though it is possible to provide a common platform at the end of the lines, this would be only a small platform and will involve additional walking distance for passengers. It will also restrict the facilities in the yard. Hence a foot over-bridge connecting the proposed new island platform with the main platform is being constructed.

INSANITARY CONDITIONS AND PROVISION OF FACILITIES AT MANGALORE RAILWAY STATION

5052. SHRI LOBO PRABHU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to reduce the obnoxious smell from the booking of fish at the common Booking Office of the Mangalore Railway station and to have a separate Booking Office for fish at the station;

(b) whether the water tank has been provided to ensure running water in the lavatories of the Waiting and Retiring Rooms and whether the Divisional Superintendent during his recent visit there, considered the complaint made regarding the untidiness of the station;

(c) the steps taken to provide fans on the platform and the reasons for not improving the lighting to remove the present sense of insecurity; and

(d) for how many months the Reservation Clerk has been without his assistant and when the public inconvenience arising therefrom is to be removed ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) The place outside the parcel office at Mangalore station where fish traffic is dealt with is frequently washed and D.D.T., dry Sodium Phosphate and bleeching powder are used to eliminate the bad smell.

A separate office for handling fish traffic at Mangalore is under construction.

(b) An overhead tank as necessary will be provided if the Municipality agrees to augment the supply of water. Divisional Superintendent, Dlavakkot during his inspection looked into the question of cleanliness of the station and the station is being maintained tidily.

(c) Fans are provided on the platform. Lights now provided at the station are considered adequate and there is no cause for any sense of insecurity on this account.

(d) There is no post of Reservation Clerk attached to the Reservation Office at Mangalore. Upper class reservation is managed by a Ticket Collector and the Third Class reservation by a Booking Clerk. The existing arrangements are adequate for dealing with the work-load.

CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT BLOCKS IN MADHYA PRADESH

5053. SHRI D. V. SINGH: Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request has been received from the Madhya Pradesh Government regarding funds for the Tribal Development Blocks in Madhya Pradesh during 1969-70 and 1970-71;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount of funds sought and Government's decisions thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA]: (a) to (c). The State Government proposed a provision of Rs. 238·00 lakhs for

their T.D. Block Programme during 1969-70. Rs. 172·00 lakhs were allocated for the current year. The allocation for 1970-71 has not so far been finalised. The allocations are calculated with reference to the approved schematic pattern.

SETTING UP OF INDUSTRIAL WORKSHOPS IN MADHYA PRADESH FOR THE BLIND AND HANDICAPPED

5054. SHRI D. V. SINGH: Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposals have been received from the Madhya Pradesh Government for the establishment of Industrial workshop for the blind and other handicapped persons under the Fourth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the central assistance sought for each of them; and

(c) Government's decisions thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENUGUHA]: (a) No formal proposals have been recived.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

RETENTION PRICE PAID TO CEMENT INDUSTRY

5055. SHRI K. RAMANI:
SHRI UMANATH:
SHRI P. RAMAMURTI :
SHRI E. K. NAYANAR:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleaed to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the price increase of Rs. 13 per tonne given to the cement producers in 1966 provided for elements of Rs. 1·30 for interest on loans for expansion, Rs. 3·85 for expansion, Rs. 2·00 for bonus, Rs. 3·15 for tax and 2·70 for increase in cost of production;

(b) if so, the units which actually utilised the total provision for expansion of Rs. 5·15;

(c) the units which did not utilise the same;

(d) how did the units, which had not expanded, utilised the above provisions for expansion; and

(e) the checks Government intended to enforce for proper utilisation of the above provisions ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [*Place in library. See* No. LT-2498/69].

(d) and (e). The producers were required to keep only a proforma account of the amounts credited to the Expansion Reserve Account at the rate of at least Rs. 4 per tonne and utilise the same for placing orders for plant and machinery for expansion purposes. The utilisation of the accumulation in this account. for the purpose intended has been purused with the producers from time to time. They have now been asked to keep the unspent balances of the above account in a joint account with the Government to ensure that the funds are in fact spent for the purpose intended.

IMPROPER UTILISATION OF PROVISION FOR EXPANSION BY CEMENT PRODUCERS

5056. SHRI K. RAMANI:
SHRI UMANATH:
SHRI P. RAMAMURTI:
SHRI E. K. NAYANAR:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND ANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state;

(a) the steps taken by Government to recover the additional price paid to the cement producers which have utilised the provision for expansion for purposes other than those for which it was intended;

(b) the justification for permanent absorption of the additional provision for expansion in the retention price of such units as have not expanded; and

(c) whether some of the units have been given recently the maximum increase of Rs. 9·50 from the 16th April, 1969 despite the non-utilisation of the provision for expansion ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) and (b). The producers were required to keep only a proforma account of the amounts credited to the Expansion Reserve Account at the rate of Rs. 4 per tonne during the period from 1-1-66 to 15-4-69 and utilise the same for placing orders for plant and machinery for expansion purposes. As the amounts credited into this account were not sufficient in themselves to undertake expansion and were intended only to provide a small portion of the funds required for expansion, the rest of the funds required being found by the producers themselves by loans etc., there is no question of the recovery. The producers have been asked to keep the unspent balances in the above account in a joint account with the Government to ensure that the funds are in fact spent for the purpose intended.

(c) Yes, Sir. This was incidental to the introduction of a uniform price of Rs. 100 per tonne.

PRICE OF CEMENT

5057. SHRI K. RAMANI:
SHRI A. K. GOPALAN:
SHRI C. K. CHAKRAPANI:
SHRI NAMBIAR :
SHRI UMANATH :
SHRI P. GOPALAN:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the three differential prices of cement in force till recently were based on the Tariff Commission's recommendations in 1961;

(b) whether Government in 1967 did not accept the proposal of the Cement Allocation and Coordinating Organisation for a uniform price;

(c) whether Goverment defended the differential prices in the Jodhpur High Court when the legality of the Cement Control Order 1967 was challenged;

(d) whether the Jodhpur High Court upheld the differential prices;

(e) if so, whether there has been any change in the Government policy thereafter; and

(f) whether the changed policy is casting an additional avoidable burden on the consumer by paying more than justifiable price in the case of some units ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) to (d). Yes, Sir.

(e) and (f). The policy of a uniform price for the industry was accepted in principle by the Government as early as 1961 and the policy of progressive decontrol was accepted even in 1965.

CONSORTIUM FOR FREIGHT POOLING AND UNIFORM F.O.R. PRICE OF CEMENT

5058. SHRI K. RAMANI:
SHRI K. M. ABRAHAM:
SHRI VISWANATHA MENON:
SHRI GANESH GHOSH:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether cement producers are proposing to form a Consortium to operate a freight pool and adopt a uniform F.O.R. destination price for the entire country;

(b) whether, as and when such Consortium is formed, Government propose to give guidelines for such an organisation similar to those given in 1965 and associate Government with the management of the consortium; and

(c) if not, how Government would ensure that freight which is on consumer's account, is operated by producers on 'no loss no profit' basis as at present, costing least burden on the consumers ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) Government have no information.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

ABOLITION OF CEMENT FREIGHT POOLING

5059. SHRI K. ANIRUDHAN:
SHRI C. K. CHAKRAPANI:
SHRI K. RAMANI:
SHRIMATI SUSEELA GOPALAN:
SHRI B. K. MODAK:
SHRI BHAGABAN DAS:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Associated Cement Co. has been pleading for the abolition of cement freight pooling on the ground that it has led to regional imbalances;

(b) if so, how many new factories have been installed by the A.C.C. group in deficit areas, as distinct from expansion since January, 1966;

(c) whether the A.C.C.'s capacity accounts for 40 per cent of the country;

(d) whether A.C.C. has indicated to Government that even after decontrol, they will pool the freight of their sixteen factories and operate a uniform F.O.R. destination price for the entire country for their consumers;

(e) whether Government recognised that A.C.C.'s continuance of freight pooling is itself an admission that freight pooling is essential to avoid abnormal increase in price in high freight areas; and

(f) if so, whether Government do not consider that freight pooling is necessary for the balance of 60 percent of the country's production also ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One at Ghugus (Maharashtra.)

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) and (f). Attention of the Hon'ble member is invited to my statement in the House on the 22nd December, 1969.

PRODUCTION OF MACHINE TOOLS

5060. DR. RANEN SEN : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the growth in the production capacity of the machine tools industry in the country had no proportion to the demand in the market;

(b) whether it is also a fact that as a result of this, the industry had to cut the actual production much in relation to its production capacity; and

(c) the production capacity and actual production of H.M.T. during 1966-67, 1967-68 and 1968-69?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) and (b). The installed capacity of machine tool units in the country is Rs. 61 crores per annum. The demand was expected to be higher than this figure. However, the period 1966-68 witnessed a recession in the Engineering Industry in general and the Machine Tool Industry in particular, resulting in a relatively lower demand and consequent under-utilisation of the capacity in the industry. The production of machine tools was worth Rs. 29·91 crores in 1966-67, Rs. 23·80 crores in 1967-68 and Rs. 20·70 crores in 1968-69. Of late, the order position has shown signs of improvement. The Planning Group set up to assist the Planning Commission in drawing up the targets for the Fourth Plan for the five-year period 1969-70 to 1973-74 have assessed the demand for the year 1973-74 at about Rs. 92 crores.

(c) The practical available capacity for production of machine tools and the actual production achieved by Hindustan Machine Tools during the last three years is as follows :—

	Rupees in crores		
	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69
Practical available capacity.	12·4	13·7	15·0
Actual Production	12·24	8·45	10·99

TRANSFER OF SENIOR SUBORDINATES ON RAILWAYS FROM ONE STATION TO ANOTHER

5061. SHRI ONKAR LAL BERWA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that under the extent policy and rules, the transfers of senior subordinates, *viz.*, Senior Superintendents

etc., are to be made from one station to another after some period;

(b) if so, the number of senior subordinates in Accounts Department of the Northern Railway who are working at one station for more than 5 and 10 years, respectively; and

(c) the reasons for not transferring them so far ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) to (c). There is a scheme of periodical transfers under which certain specified categories of railway employees *viz*. Assistant Station Masters/Station Masters, Commercial Clerks (booking, goods and parcel), Travelling Ticket Examiners/Special Ticket Examiners and Guards, working passenger and shuttle trains, who come in contact with the public are not to be retained at a station for more than 5 years. Other senior subordinates including Senior Superintendents etc. of the Accounts Department do not come within the purview of that scheme. The scheme has, however, been held in abeyance since 1968 on grounds of economy.

DEPARTMENTAL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST ACCOUNTS, CLERKS, GRADE I, D.A.O., NORTHERN RAILWAY, NEW DELHI

5062. SHRI ONKAR LAL BERWA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 8040 on the 29th April, 1969 and to state:

(a) whether the departmental proceedings against the Accounts Clerk, Grade I, of the Divisional Accounts Office, Northern Railway, New Delhi, have been completed; and

(b) if so, the action taken against him ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes.

(b) He has been absolved of the charges by the Disciplinary authority.

EFFECT OF AGREEMENT WITH U.S.S.R. ON INDIAN CONSULTANCY ORGANISATIONS

5063. SHRI YASHPAL SINGH : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have examined the adverse effects which the proposed agreement between the Hindustan Steel's Central Engineering and Design Bureau and the Soviet Agency GIPROMEZ will have on the Indian consultancy organisations;

(b) if so, how they are going to reconcile their policy of encouraging the Indian technical know-how with the proposed agreement; and

(c) how they are going to be re-assured that it would not have ill effects on their organisation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) to (c). The Government examined carefully all the aspects before agreeing, in principle, for Hindustan Steel Limited to negotiate an agreement with TYAOPROMEXPORT of USSR for improving the capability of Central Engineering and Design Bureau to plan and design iron and steel plants so that we can depend more and more on Indian Technical know-how. This agreement is likely to have a healthy effect on the development and capability of consultancy services in the country.

लड़के तथा लड़कियों को सहायता देकर जातिवाद तथा साम्प्रदायिकता समाप्त करना

5064. **श्री लखन लाल कपूर** : क्या विधि तथा समाज कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि सरकार जवान लड़के लड़कियों के आजीविका के साधनों की गारण्टी देने के लिये कुछ व्यवस्था करेगी ताकि वे अभिभावकों की डर तथा आर्थिक पराश्रयता से मुक्त हो सकें और जातिवाद से मुक्त बन्धनों को तोड़ सकें, वैवाहिक सम्बन्ध स्थापित कर सकें और इस प्रकार जातिवाद तथा साम्प्रदायिकता का लोप कर सकें ?

विधि मंत्रालय और समाज कल्याण विभाग में राज्य मंत्री [डा० (श्रीमती) फूलरेणु गुह] : अन्तर्जातीय विवाहों के पक्षों को जीविका के साधनों की गारंटी के लिए विशेष उपबंध करना संविधान के अधीन

अनुदेय नहीं होगा। परन्तु ऐसे विवाहों का अनुसूचित जाति पक्षों, यदि कोई है तो, अनुसूचित जातियों को ग्राह्य सभी लाभों के लिए पात्र रहेगा।

GRIEVANCES OF COMMERCIAL CLERKS

5065. SHRI RAMAVATAR SHASTRI: SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the representatives of the All India Railway Commercial Clerks Association had met the Prime Minister on the 27th August, 1969 and also met her on the 29th August, 1969 and presented their grievances; and

(b) if so, the action taken for redressing the grievances of the Commercial Clerks?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) The representatives of the All India Commercial Clerks Association met the Prime Minister on 27-8-1969 and presented a memorandum listing their grievances. There is however, no record to show that any delegation on behalf of this Association met the Prime Minister on 29-8-1969.

(b) The demands of the Commercial Clerks for revision of scales of pay and other conditions of service have been examined in the past and Government could not agree to any large scale revision of the pay scales and other conditions of staff of any one category, in view of its repercussions on the other categories of staff. However, recently the appointment of a Pay Commission has been accepted by Government in principle and when it is set up the pay scales and other conditions of the Commercial Clerks will also receive adequate consideration by the Commission.

WORKING CONDITIONS AND EMOLUMENTS OF COMMERCIAL CLERKS ON INDIAN RAILWAYS

5066. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Commercial Clerks on the Indian Railways are denied their legitimate rights in respect of their pay scales, increments and other working conditions;

(b) whether it is also a fact that their pay scales are very poor as compared with the scales of pay of similar employees in other Government, Private and Quasi-Government undertakings, such as Banks, Road Transport Corporation, Food Corporation, Indian Airlines Corporation, Life Insurance Corporation, Hindustan Aircraft Ltd., Hindustan Machine Tool, etc.; and

(c) if so, whether there is any proposal to review their working conditions and emoluments etc., in view of the important role played by them in earning the Railways' revenue and also in view of the fact that there was no revision of their pay scales for the last 22 years, *i.e.*, since the report of the first Pay Commission?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) No.

(b) Any comparison of pay scales of Commercial Clerks on Railways with those of the employees of other organisations is not apt, as the duties and responsibilities, conditions of working, etc., are not identical.

(c) Government have already decided in principle to appoint a Pay Commission to review the emoluments and other service conditions of Central Government employees including Railway employees. It is, however, not correct that there has been no revision of the pay scales and other emoluments of the Commercial Clerks for the last 22 years.

इलाहाबाद डिवीजन (उत्तर रेलवे) के अवैध रूप से बर्खास्त किये गये कर्मचारियों को बहाल करना

5067. श्री अर्जुन सिंह भदोरिया : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को इलाहाबाद डिवीजन, उत्तर रेलवे में अवैध रूप से बर्खास्त किये गये कर्मचारियों की बहाली के बारे में सर्वोच्च न्यायालय के 5 दिसम्बर, 1963 तथा 22 अगस्त 1968 के निर्णयों के आधार पर की गई एक अपील सहित संसत्सदस्यों के पत्र प्राप्त हुए हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सर्वोच्च न्यायालय के निर्णयों के बावजूद भी उक्त कर्मचारियों को बहाल न करने के क्या कारण हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेल मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) कानपुर के भूतपूर्व टिकट बाबू, श्री अब्दुल अलीम खां, का अभ्यावेदन भेजते हुए दो संसद सदस्यों ने अनुरोध किया था कि सर्वोच्च न्यायालय के 5 दिसम्बर, 1963 के निर्णय के आधार पर श्री अब्दुल अलीम खां को बहाल कर दिया जाये। सर्वोच्च न्यायालय के बाद के किसी निर्णय का उल्लेख न तो संसद् सदस्यों के पत्रों में है और न स्वयं श्री अब्दुल अलीम खां के अभ्यावेदन में।

(ख) सर्वोच्च न्यायालय का 5 दिसम्बर, 1963 का निर्णय केवल उन स्थायी रेल कर्मचारियों के मामले में लागू होता है, जिन्हें अनुशासन और अपील नियमों में निर्धारित कार्यविधि का पालन किये बिना, नौकरी से हटा दिया गया था। श्री अब्दुल अलीम खां को, 22 दिसम्बर, 1949 से, तत्कालीन अनुशासन और अपील नियमों में निर्धारित कार्यविधि का पालन करते हुए, नौकरी से हटाया गया था; अतः उन्हें सर्वोच्च न्यायालय के 5 दिसम्बर, 1963 के निर्णय के आधार पर बहाल करने का प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

SECURITY DEPOSIT BY COMMERCIAL CLERKS (SOUTHERN RAILWAY)

5068. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Southern Railway authorities are harassing the Commercial Clerks who have put in 10 or more years of service, by asking them to deposit a security of Rs. 300/-;

(b) whether Government have received any representations from the All India Railway Commercial Clerks' Association in this respect, and if so, the action taken on it; and

(c) whether Government will issue necessary instructions to the concerned offices not to insist on security deposit from the employees who have put in 10 years of service or more, and who have a confirmed status in the Railway, since they have sufficient balance in their Provident Fund account which is more than the security amount?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Commercial clerks who were not permanent on 4-7-1949 and those appointed after that date are required to furnish a security deposit of Rs. 300/-. Commercial clerks who are required to furnish security deposit and have not done so have been asked by the Southern Railway Administration to do so. This does not constitute harassment.

(b) Yes, representations from the Association were received by the Southern Railway, but no action was taken as this is not a recognised Union.

(c) The general principle of obtaining security deposit from staff entrusted with cash or stores cannot be relaxed, but to minimise any difficulty the employees may feel in doing so, the railways allow staff to deposit the security in easy instalments. The rules also permit the security to be given in the form of Government Savings Certificates or a Fidelity Guarantee Insurance Policy in lieu of cash. The employees' own contribution to the Provident Fund can in no circumstances be forfeited to Government. In the case of pensionable staff, there is no Government contribution to the Provident Fund and even in the case of non-pensionable staff, there are certain restrictions on the appropriation of the Government contribution to the Provident Fund towards the risks against which the security deposit is intended to provide a cover. It is, therefore, not possible for the Provident Fund accumulations of employees to be regarded as replacing the security deposit.

PROMOTION OF RAILWAY COMMERCIAL CLERKS

5069. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Commercial Clerks who have put in twenty years of service are still in the initial grade of Rs. 110-200, aspiring to get the next higher grade of Rs. 150-240; and

(b) whether it will not affect the morale and efficiency of an employee, if a major portion of his total service has to be sp nt in the initial grade iteself, and if he gets stagnated at the maximum of the initial grade, his chances of promotion being remote?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes, there are some.

(b) The question of giving some relief to Class III Staff including Commercial Clerks who have been at the maximum of their pay scales for some time is under consideration.

REVISION OF GRADES OF COMMERCIAL OF CLERKS

5070. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there was any special reason for not revising the grades of the Commercial Clerks alone, when the other categories like Guards, Assistant Station Masters and Travelling Ticket Examiners who were getting equal pay like them, got it revised by executive orders; and

(b) whether Government will consider to merge at least the first and second grades prevailing for the Commercial Clerks (as has been done in the case of P W T clerks) (Rs. 110-200 and Rs. 150-240 merged into one scale Rs. 110-240) so that there will not be stagnation at Rs. 200/-, even if they do not get any promotion during the whole of their service as is the case at present?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) and (b) It is not correct that the scales of pay of Commercial Clerks alone have not been revised. There has been no revision in most of the categories of Railway employees including Guards and Travelling Ticket Examiners after allotment of authorised scales of pay on the basis of Second Pay Commission's recommendation. The scales of pay of Assistant Station Masters/ Stations Masters were revised with effect from 1-4-1964 in view of the increased responsibilities consequent upon the increase in the tempo of traffic movements. At this stage, it is not possible to consider the case of Commercial Clerks in isolation for a revision of scales, particularly as the Government have announced their decision to appoint a Pay Commission.

LOSSES INCURRED IN SWITCHGEAR UNIT OF BHARAT HEAVY ELECTRICALS LIMITED, HYDERABAD

5071. SHRI C. K. CHAKRAPANI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that heavy losses are being incurred in the Switch Gear of Unit of the Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited at Hyderabad;

(b) if so, the extent of the loss incurred ever since this has been set up with foreign collaboration;

(c) the total capital invested and the ex tent of foreign exchange involved in it;

(d) whether a detailed Project Report for setting up this unit was drawn up and that large scale trading activities importing components at high cost and selling them at a low price in India—are being indulged; and

(e) whether it is also a fact that the various Electricity Boards in India were obtaining complete imported Air-Brakers from the collaborating firms at cheaper rates ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVEOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) and (b). The Switchgear Unit Hyderabad of Bharat Electricals Ltd. has incurred losses as given below in the first three years of initial production, which commenced from October, 1966 :

1966-67	.. Rs. 16·57 lakhs
1967-68	.. Rs. 32·05 lakhs
1968-69	.. Rs. 49·64 lakhs.

(c) Capital expenditure upto 31st March, 1969 on this Unit amounted to Rs. 159·8 lakhs, the foreign exchange content being Rs. 40·78 lakhs.

(d) A feasibility report for the Switchgear Unit was drawn up by the project authorities after obtaining layout data, specifications of machinery and equipment, quantities of raw materials schedule of year-wise manufacture etc. from the collaborators together with other relevant data and particulars regarding this scheme. It is not a fact that large scale trading activities, importing components at high cost and selling them at a low price in India is being indulged by this Unit.

(e) While specific information regarding the cost of air circuit breakers imported directly from abroad by various Electricity Boards is not readily available, it is possible that indigenous costs of this item may be somewhat higher than the cost of imported units, because of various factors, including raw material costs, level of production and the like. However, the items produced in this plant are being sold under competitive conditions in the internal market, though import is not allowed of such items which can be indigenously manufactured.

IMPORT OF COMPONENTS OF AIR BLAST CIRCUIT BREAKERS FOR SWITCHGEAR UNIT OF B.H.E.L.

5072. SHRI C. K. CHAKRAPANI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the prices paid for the import of the second batch of components of the Air Blast Circuit Breakers for switch-gear Unit of the Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd., Hyderabad are still higher than the prices paid for the first batch;

(b) if so, how this deal was entered into and who was reponsible for the finalisation of this deal thereby agreeing to pay higher prices;

(c) what action Government took to prevent such losses and such agreements; and

(d) whether there is a large stock of unsold imported components of Switch Gear in the B.H.E.L. on which large amount of foreign exchange was spent?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) to (c). The order for the first batch of imported components was placed on ASEA in October, 1965 and the second in February, 1967. The same base price governed the first and the second batch of Air-Blast circuit breaker components, except in the case of certain items where some design improvement had taken place and only the price of such items increased for the second batch order.

(d) The position of the opening stock of imported components as on 1-4-1969 was Rs. 80·15 lakhs. This would cater for the planned production requirements of 40 Nos. of Air Blast Circuit-breakers during 1969-70, spares for the breakers already manufactured during the previous 2 years (nearly 150 Nos.), production and transit mortality during the current year, and essential guarantee-period replacements.

WAGE BILL OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES AND FOREIGN TOURS OF CHAIRMAN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, OF H.E..C.

5073. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2302 on the 2nd December, 1969 and state:

(a) the actual wage bill of the officers and its proportion to that of the other employees;

(b) the actual hurdles in the way of achieving full rated production and the steps being taken to achieve the same;

(c) what orders were secured by the ex Commercial Manager, the place where he is at present and on what grounds he sought and got his resignation accepted; and

(d) the actual amount spent on the foreign tours of the Chairman and Deputy Chairman including the amount spent on officers accompanying them, and the details of the orders secured abroad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) The monthly wage bill of officers is Rs. 13·53 lakhs and that of other employees Rs. 44·30 lakhs.

(b) As already stated, projects of this nature have a long gestation period as pro-

duction build-up is gradual, with increased productivity taking place over a period of time as skills are acquired by the workers on heavy and sophisticated technological equipment and machinery. The general labour unrest in Eastern Region had an adverse effect on the working of this unit in the form of short supply of items ordered on other units. The labour unrest and communal trouble at Ranchi in 1967-68 also adversely affected the construction programme of the Foundry Forge Plant and supplies of castings and forgings to other units.

Further, the pattern of orders at present is different from that visualised at the time of preparation of the project reports. Some diversification of capacity had, therefore, to be undertaken which in its turn involved delay.

(c) After the visit of the ex-Commercial Manager to different places abroad in 1967, enquiries were received from Australia for various machine parts and steel flanges which were replied to. Besides, a proposal for a Machine Building Plant was submitted to Malaysia; a proposal for Rolling Mill was submitted to Cyprus and a proposal for a Rolling Mill and continuous casting machine was submitted to Kuwait.

The ex-Commercial Manager resigned from the service of Heavy Engineering Corporation for unavoidable domestic reasons. His present whereabouts are not known to the Company.

(d) The expenditure incurred in connection with the Chairman's recent tour abroad was Rs. 11,894/. Expenditure on three officers deputed to assist the Deputy Chairman during his tour abroad was Rs. 46,372·75. Information on expenditure incurred in connection with the foreign tour of the Deputy Chairman is not readily available as he returned only very recently. The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

The tours were undertaken to sort out the various outstanding problems of the company and were not for securing orders as such.

ALLOTMENT OF QUARTERS TO MUSLIM EMPLOYEES OF H.E.C.

5074. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred question No. 2303 on the 2nd December, 1969 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the last meeting of the Consultative Committee held at Ranchi, it was unanimously decided that his Ministry should take immediate steps for the accommodation of Muslim employees in their quarters and for getting the vacation of unauthorised occupation;

(b) whether the then Minister, Shri C. M. Poonacha, in the presence of Deputy Minister and some Members of Parliament, directed the Chriaman and the Deputy Chairman to ensure immediate vacation of unauthorised occupation and they undertook to do the same in a day or two; and

(c) if so the action taken for vacation of unauthorised occupation and against the officers for having permitted the same for so long?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) At the meeting of the Consultative Committee held at Ranchi on the 26th September, 1969, it was recognised that the issue was a delicate one and required careful handling. It was decided that every effort should be made to solve the problem without arousing communal feelings.

(b) and (c). The Chairman H.E.C. had agreed that action to have the quarters vacated as expeditiously as possible would be taken, taking all the circumstances into consideration.

RAJENDRA PUL (BRIDGE) HALT

5075. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred question No. 2304 on the 2nd December, 1969 and state :

(a) the number of passengers got down from the trains at the present Rajendra Pul Halt and Hathidah Stations during the last three years;

(b) what will be the additional income to the Railways if passengers who have to cross the bridge on foot at present travel by rail in case the present Rajendra Pul Halt is extended to the terminus of Rajendra bridge;

(c) whether Government have been receiving representations from publicmen and institutions in this regard;

(d) whether Government propose to shift the present Rajendra Pul Halt itself further south to the northern terminus of the Rajendra bridge; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) Yes.

(d) and (e). The feasibility of shifting Rajendra Pul Halt so as to bring it closer to the bridge has been examined previously and found not justified both from financial and engineering points of view.

ISSUE OF LICENCE FOR SETTING UP BREWERY IN DELHI

5076. SHRI HIMATSINGKA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite Government's policy of gradual enforcement or prohibition, Government have licensed a brewery in the Capital;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Delhi Administration has objected to the issue of this licence; and

(d) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) to (d). No, sir. A letter of intent has, however, been issued on 19-2-1969 to Dr. D. Kumar and Shri M. M. Mahajan of New Delhi for setting up a Brewery in Delhi, which is subject, *inter alia*, to the condition that the licence, if granted, will be subject to the prohibition policy of Government in future. Before the issue of the said letter of intent, no objection was received from the Delhi Administration who had been consulted. The Executive Councillor (Finance) Delhi Administration, has, however, written a letter dated 24th November, 1969, requesting that the Administration should be taken into confidence before the issue of an industrial licence to any party for the manufacture of beer in Delhi. The Delhi Administration will be consulted before the letter of intent is converted into an industrial licence

SHORTFALL IN RAILWAY TRAFFIC

5077. SHRI HIMATSINGKA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railway authorities are worried about the lack of Railway traffic demand despite the setting in of the traditional busy season since October this year and, if so, how the tonnage of Railway traffic carried during the first 9 months of the current year is likely to compare with the corresponding figures of the last two years;

(b) whether amongst the main reasons of the shortfall in traffic, the shortage of availability of steel in the country is the major factor and, if so, how far the steel plants traffic during the first nine months of the current year is estimated to have fallen down and the main reasons for such shortfall in steel traffic;

(c) what are the other major factors contributing to the shortfall in the Railway traffic; and

(d) what specific steps are being taken by Government to utilise the Railway traffic capacity to the maximum possible extent?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) No. During 1969-70, upto October, the Railways' have lifted 5·09 million tonnes of additional revenue earning traffic as compared to the corresponding period of 1968-69 and 9·06 million tonnes as compared to 1967-68.

(b) No. The tonnage of pig iron and finished steel moved by rail from Steel Plants during the first seven months of 1969-70 is more as compared with the corresponding period of 1968-69 and 1967-68, as will

be evident from the following table :

Year	*Tonnage lifted by rail*
1969-70	3·98 million tonnes
1968-69	3·88 million tonnes
1967-68	3·54 million tonnes

(c) Does not arise.

(d) To attract more traffic to the Railways, Marketing & Sales Organisations have been set up on each railway to keep in close touch with the trade and to take suitable steps to secure maximum traffic to rail. Door-to-door delivery services, introduction of container services, fast Super Express goods services between important points and Quick Transit Services have been introduced for improving the quality of service on the railways. Easier availability of wagons is also brought to the notice of the trading public through the Press, requesting them to step up their demands to take advantage of the slack season every year.

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE IN STANDARDISATION FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

5078. SHRI HIMATSINGKA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Standards Institution has proposed to establish in International Training Centre in Standardisation for developing countries under the joint auspices of the UN Development Programme and the Government of India;

(b) if so, the details of the scheme and salient features of the envisaged Centre indicating the capacity for training to be created in respect of each type of course to be conducted by this Centre?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. A proposal to establish in India an International Training Centre in Standardisation at the Indian Standards Institution with assistance from the United Nations Development Programme is under consideration of the Govt. of India. The proposal, however, is in a very preliminary stage.

REGISTRATION OF PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANIES IN 1969

5079. SHRI N. R. DEOGHARE : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE and COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of public limited companies which have been registered during the current year;

(b) what are the names of those companies; and

(c) what is the share capital of each company and other details of their finances?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) Seventy four public limited companies were registered under the Companies Act, 1956 during January 1969 to October, 1969.

(b) and (c). The names and authorised capital of these companies are set out in the statement laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library See.* No. LT-2499/69]. The details about other finances are not available as their first balance sheets are not yet due to be filed under the Companies Act.

उत्तर रेलवे के भूतपूर्व यातायात प्रशिक्षणार्थियों को उनका वेतन न दिया जाना

5080. श्री अर्जुन सिंह भदौरिया : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को उत्तर रेलवे में गोरखपुर के भूतपूर्व यातायात-प्रशिक्षणार्थियों को 12 मई, 1965 से 20 जून, 1968 तक की अवधि का वेतन न दिये जाने के सम्बन्ध में संसत्मदस्यों की ओर से 15 अगस्त 1969 तथा 18 नवम्बर 1969 के पत्र प्राप्त हुए हैं;

(ख) क्या उपरोक्त पत्रों के साथ इस मामले के महत्वपूर्ण तथ्यों से युक्त तथा उक्त रेलवे के महाप्रबन्धक को सम्बोधित 2 जुलाई, 1969 के पत्र की एक प्रतिलिपि प्राप्त हुई है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इन तथ्यों को देखते हुए वेतन की शीघ्र अदायगी के बारे में सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) और (ख) . जी हां। ये केवल पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे के भूतपूर्व यातायात भिक्षु श्री चन्द्र भान सिंह के मामले से सम्बन्धित ह ।

(ग) श्री चन्द्रभान सिंह को कुछ अधिक भुगतान कर दिया गया था जिसका समायोजन करने के बाद उन्हें अब कोई रकम देय नही है । इसलिए उन्हे कोई भुगतान करने का प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

ट्रेनिंग स्कूल, मुजफ्फरपुर (पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे) में यातायात प्रशिक्षणार्थी

5081. **श्री अर्जुन सिंह भदोरिया** : क्या रेलवे मंत्री 10 दिसम्बर, 1968 के अतारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 4002 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उन अधिकारियों से 22,397.77 रुपये वापस वसूल न करने के क्या कारण हैं जिन्होंने इस धनराशि का ट्रेनिंग स्कूल, मुजफ्फरपुर (पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे) के यातायात-प्रशिक्षणार्थियों को मुफ्त भोजन देने के नाम में दुरुपयोग किया;

(ख) इस दुरुपयोग के लिये उत्तरदायी अधिकारियों के नाम तथा पदनाम क्या हैं; और

(ग) उक्त अधिकारियों को क्या-क्या दण्ड दिये गये हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) से (ग) . सीधे भर्ती किये गये एप्रेन्टिसों को निःशुल्क भोजन देने के सम्बन्ध में हुआ खर्च अनुमानतः 22,397 रुपये 77 पैसे है। ऐसा नियमों के अर्थ निर्णय में सदाशयी भूल के कारण हुआ न कि निधि के दुरुपयोग के कारण । इसे ध्यान में रखते हुए, यह खर्च रेल कर्मचारियों द्वारा दुरुपयोग के कारण हुआ है ऐसा नहीं समझा जाता । रेल प्रशासन से कहा गया है कि ऐसे वित्तीय मामलों में अधिकारियों को भविष्य में अधिक सावधान रहने के लिए चेतावनी दी जाये उक्त रकम के छोड़ देने की मंजूरी दे दी गयी है ।

SHIFTING OF MANSI JUNCTION (NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY)

5082. SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Railway Board has decided to shift Mansi Junction and the Railway line on which that station stands;

(b) whether there is a strong popular protest against the above decision;

(c) whether the Mansi Bachao Sangharsha Samiti has demanded that the existing Mansi Junction and the Railway line on which the Station stands, should be saved from Ganga erosion by diverting the Ganga current; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes.

(d) Shifting over to the retired alignment between Khagaria and Mansi, for which embankment has already been constructed by the North-Eastern Railway in the year 1963-64, is considered inescapable in order to ensure uninterrupted through communication on this vital Metre gauge trunk route and link to Assam.

BROAD GAUGE LINE FROM COIMBATORE TO MADURAI

5083. SHRI MAYAVAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to convert the metre gauge Railway line from Coimbatore to Madurai into broad gauge;

(b) if so, when it is likely to be done; and

(c) what are the reasons for delay ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) No.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

REQUEST OF TAMIL NADU GOVERNMENT FOR POLICY SUBSIDY TO IMPLEMENT PROHIBITION

5084. SHRI MAYAVAN : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Government of Tamil Nadu have asked the Centre for subsidy in liquor to implement the Prohibition policy of the Centre so that the loss of revenue suffered by the State is compensated;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Central Government to this request; and

(c) how many more States have asked for such subsidy ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA] : (a) No, Sir.

(b) does not arise.

(c) States of Rajasthan and Haryana had sent their proposals earlier. Recently the State Governments of Uttar Pradesh and Assam have requested for such subsidy. These are under consideration of the Government.

TAX ON RAILWAY FARES

5085. SHRI MAYAVAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that devolution on account of grant in lieu of tax on Railway fares has been considered by the Railway Convention Committee; and

(b) if so, what are the main recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) and (b). The Railway Convention Committee of the Parliament constituted for reviewing the Convention has not yet submitted its Report. It may, however, be stated that fixation of the quantum of payments to the States in lieu of the Passenger Fare Tax is, *inter alia*, under the consideration of the Committee.

DAILY WAGE RATE OF CASUAL LABOURERS, KHURDA DIVISION (SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY)

5086. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the present daily wage rate of the casual labourers in the Khurda Division of the South Eastern Railway;

(b) whether the District Collector of Puri has suggested the rate to be three rupees a day;

(c) whether the Railway authorities have agreed to increase the present rate; and

(d) whether the rates have not been increased up till now and if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.

रेलवे में गैंगमैनों को वर्दी की सप्लाई

5087. श्री निहाल सिंह : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उनका मंत्रालय विभिन्न रेलवे लाइनों पर कार्य करने वाले गैंगमैनों को वर्दी नहीं प्रदान करता हालांकि ये कर्मचारी भी चतुर्थ श्रेणी कर्मचारियों की श्रेणी में आते हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) और (ख) चूंकि गैंगमैन जनता के सम्पर्क में नहीं आते, इसलिए इस कोटि के कमचारियों के लिए वर्दी का मानकीकरण नहीं किया गया है।

वर्त्तमान आदेशों में ऐसी व्यवस्था है कि इन्हें वर्दियां देने की जरूरत नहीं है और इस विषय में रेल प्रशासन अपनी-अपनी पद्धति का अनुसरण कर सकते हैं।

मध्य रेलवे की रेल लाइनों को दोहरा करना

5088. **श्री गं० ह० दीक्षित :** क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उन स्थानों के नाम क्या क्या हैं जहां मध्य रेलवे की रेल लाइनों को दुहरा नहीं किया गया है;

(ख) क्या ऐसा करने के लिए कोई कार्यवाही करने का विचार है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो ऐसा कब तक किये जाने की सम्भावना है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविंद मेनन) : (क) एक विवरण सभा पटल पर रखा गया है। [प्रन्थालय में रखा गया। देखिये संख्या LT—2500/69]

(ख) और (ग). विवरण में बताये गये खण्डों में से, 274·22 किलोमीटर दूरी में दोहरी लाइन बिछाने का काम हो रहा है और 261·89 किलोमीटर दूरी में दोहरी लाइन बिछाने का काम शुरू करने का विचार है। इस रेलवे के मीटर लाइन और छोटी लाइन के खण्डों में दोहरी लाइन बिछाने का अभी कोई विचार नहीं है।

INTRODUCTION OF OLD AGE PENSION IN MYSORE

5089. SHRI S. A. AGADI : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Old Age Pension has been introduced in Mysore State; and

(b) if so, since when and the rate of pension and how many applications were received, disposed of and are pending in Mysore State District-wise and year-wise since 1967-68 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA] : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Since 1-1-1965; the rate of pension is Rs. 15/- per month; the other details are given in the statement laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See No.* LT-2501/69].

PENALTY ON EXCESS INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

5090. SHRI BIBHUTI MISHRA :
SHRI RAM AVTAR SHARMA :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item appearing on page 4 of the Indian Express dated the 16th September, 1969 under the caption "Penalty for excess Industrial growth";

(b) if so, the nature of penalty contemplated to be imposed; and

(c) its effect on future production ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The question of the action to be taken in cases where the industrial undertakings have established capacity much in excess of the licensed capacity in violation of the licensing provisions of the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951 is under the active consideration of Government.

RISE IN PRICE OF PAPER AFTER DECONTROL

5091. SHRI MURASOLI MARAN :
SHRI ARJUN SINGH BHADORIA :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the percentage of increase in paper prices decontrol; and

(b) the measures taken by Government to curb the price rise?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) There is an increase of about 26% to 30% on ex-works prices of paper depending on the grammage of the paper.

(b) Government have advised the Joint Committee of the Paper Industry not to increase prices of paper in future without prior consultation with the Government.

SHORTAGE OF RAW MATERIAL IN NON-ENGINEERING INDUSTRIES

5092. SHRI R. K. BIRLA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that production in several non-engineering industries has recently got a set-back;

(b) if so, the names of such industries;

(c) whether it is also a fact that shortage of raw materials, transport bottlenecks and labour problems are the main reasons for the set-back;

(d) the other reasons for the set-back, and how much production has suffered; and

(e) the steps Government propose to take to solve such problems of these industries?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) to (e). Except for a few items mentioned below, which showed a marginal decline in production during the period January to September, 1969 as compared to the corresponding period last year, the non-engineering sector in general has not suffered from any serious set-back in production :

Phosphatic fertilisers, Oxygen gas, Acetylene gas, Matches, Paints and Varnishes, Cigarettes, Staple Fibre, Leather Foot wear, Plywood Tea-chest, Tanned Hides, Leather Cloth, Rubber footwear, Bicycle tyres, Refractories, Bicycle tubes, and Refined glycerine.

The production of all other items in the non-engineering sector has increased.

Shortage of raw materials such as Cow hides, raw rubber etc. have affected the production of leather and rubber industries respectively. Labour unrest in the units manufacturing staple fibre affected the production of this item. Lesser demand, accumulation of stocks and seasonal fluctuations affected the production of certain industries like Cigarettes, Phosphatic fertilisers, oxygen gas etc.

Steps are being taken to remove the bottlenecks.

PLACING FOR ORDERS ON WAGON BUILDERS

5093. SHRI K. N. PANDEY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any orders have been placed for the 1969-70 Railway Stock Programme;

(b) if so, what is the exact basis on which orders ought to be placed or are already placed on various wagon builders, including the Railway Workshops; and

(c) if there is no fixed basis, the steps being taken to ensure that no injustice is done to wagon builders?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). The orders on the private sector were placed on the basis of an equitable distribution keeping in view the prices offered, capacity and past performance of each wagon builder and also the financial interests of the Railways. Orders on Railway Workshops were placed on the basis of spare capacity available with them for wagon production.

FIXATION OF QUOTA FOR WAGON BUILDERS

5094. SHRI K. N. PANDEY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Railway Board had given instructions to the Inspecting Officers not to pass beyond a specified number of wagons in respect of each of the wagon builders in the Private Sector; and

(b) if so, what was the quota fixed for each wagon builder, including the Railway Workshops and the basis on which these quotas were fixed?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

SETTING UP OF INDUSTRIES IN METROPOLITAN TOWNS

5095. SHRI P. C. ADICHAN : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the National Development Council's Standing Committee on Industrial Policy discussed the recommendation of the Planning Commission's Working Group to discourage setting up of new industries in Metropolitan cities of Calcutta, Bombay, Madras and Delhi;

(b) if so, the consensus of the Standing Committee over this proposal; and

(c) Government' s reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INETERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED). (a) to (c). The Working Group on Fiscal and Financial Incentives for Starting Industries in Backward Areas (Wanchoo Committee) had, among other things, recommended certain disincentives for avoiding over-crowding of industries in already developed zones. The Report of the Working Group was discussed at a meeting of the Committee of the States' Chief Ministers of the National Development Council held on the 26th September, 1969. No final decision was, however, reached on the afore referred to recommendation.

RESTORATION OF TRAINS BETWEEN MAYURAM AND TIRUCHCHIRAPPALLI

5096. SHRI SEZHIYAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any representation on the cancellation of train Nos. 628 and 655 between Mayuram and Tiruchchirappalli; and

(b) whether Government have any proposal under consideration to withdraw the cancellation of these trains?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes, but the representation seems to have been made on wrong assumption that the trains would be cancelled. In fact, the trains have not been cancelled.

(b) Does not arise.

LOANS GRANTED FOR SETTING UP OF INDUSTRIES IN TRIPURA

5097. SHRI KIRIT BIKRAM DEB BURMAN : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item in the 'Tripura Times' of the 12th October, 1969 captioned 'Loan Paid without Industry', revealing that while loan had been paid by the Tripura Government for setting up of a brick kiln industry, no industry had actually been set up;

(b) whether similar revelations had also been made by the Public Accounts Committee of Tripura in one of their recent reports;

(c) whether Government have directed the appointment of a commission of inquiry to probe as to how far the loans granted for the setting up of industries in Tripura had not been utilised for establishing the promised industry but were misused;

(d) if so, Government's precise directions in this regard and the Tripura Administration's response thereto; and

(e) if no such probe has been directed, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Because of inadequate transport facilities and non-availability of skilled workers in Tripura State it takes two to three years to set up an industry. Only about 15% of the units have not come up and it is expected that some of these units may come up in due course. Legal action is, however, being taken by the Tripura Administration

against the loanees who fail to set up an industry within a reasonable period and/or misuse the loans.

PAPER PLANT IN TRIPURA

5098. SHRI KIRIT BIKRAM DEB BURMAN : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 10018 on the 7th May, 1968 and state:

(a) whether in relation to the overall programme of development of Eastern region and in view of the industrial backwardness and Forest Resources in Tripura, the question of setting up a paper plant in the public sector in Tripura has been further considered;

(b) if so, the decision taken in this regard; and

(c) if no decision has yet been taken, the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) to (c). As a result of the recommendation of tne Eastern Zonal Council, a Standing Committee was set up for the integrated development of Assam, Nagaland, Manipur, Tripura and NEFA. This Committee appointed five Working Groups to examine proposals for development of the respective sectors based on local resources and make suggestions. The Steering Group considered, *inter alia*, the studies made by the Working Group for forest based industries and recommended that the forest resources survey should be immediately undertaken in Manipur, Tripura and NEFA as a Centrally sponsored Scheme, so as to establish the resources availability in about a year's time. Simultaneously, steps should be taken for preparation of feasibility reports for a pulp mill of 600 tonnes a day capacity for this region and for a small paper mill in Manipur and Tripura based on this pulp mill. A final view in regard to setting up of a paper plant in Tripura, can be taken only after the Steering Group makes its final recommendations after considering the Report of the Working Group

LOANS AND GRANTS FOR SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES IN TRIPURA

5099. SHRI KIRIT BIKRAM DEB BURMAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 7245 on the 22nd April, 1969 and state:

(a) the details of loans and grants sanctioned to the Tripura Administration during each of the years since 1965-66, for the development of Cottage and Small Industries;

(b) how far these loans and grants were utilised by that State Government for the different schemes in each year and how far they were left unutilised and/or surrendered to the Central Government;

(c) Whether it has come to Government's notice that much of the loans granted to intending entrepreneurs were misappropriated and the intended industries never came up or were delayed on that amount and, if so, the extent of industrial capacity, small-scale and cottage, propose to be set up under the respective loan schemes in each of these years which failed to come up; and

(d) the further steps propsed to be taken by Government in the matters ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F.A. AHMED) : (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2502/69]

COST AUDIT OF COMPANIES

5100. SHRI S. S. KOTHARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956, Cost Audit has been ordered in respect of a number of Companies; and

(b) if so, the names of the companies comprising the industries in respect of which cost audit has been ordered ?

MINISTER OF INDU TRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND

COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement showing the names of Companies within the different classes of companies in respect of which cost audit has been ordered is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in library, See No. LT-2503/69*]

नेपा नगर (मध्य प्रदेश) में पहले और दूसरे दर्जे के प्रतीक्षा कक्ष

5101. **श्री गं० चं० दीक्षित :** क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मध्य प्रदेश में मध्य रेलवे में नेपानगर स्टेशन पर पहले और दूसरे दर्जे के प्रतीक्षा कक्ष आरामदेह तथा बड़े नहीं हैं ।

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इसके कारण पहले और दूसरे दर्जे की सवारियों को बहुत असुविधा होती है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) जी नहीं । नेपानगर स्टेशन पर पहले और दूसरे दर्जे का एक प्रतीक्षालय (सामान्य) है, जिसकी लम्बाई-चौड़ाई 16'×14½' है और जिसमें पर्याप्त फर्निचर तथा अन्य सुविधाओं की व्यवस्था है । इस समय इस स्टेशन पर ऊंचे दर्जे का जो सीमित यात्री यातायात होता है उसकी आवश्यकताएं पूरी करने के लिए प्रतीक्षालय की लम्बाई-चौड़ाई तथा उसमें दी गयी सुविधाएं पर्याप्त समझी जाती हैं ।

(ख) जी नहीं ।

(ग) सवाल नहीं उठता ।

मध्य रेलवे में रेलवे कर्मचारियों का पांच वर्षों के अन्दर तबादला

5102. **श्री गं० च० दीक्षित :** क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि रेलवे कर्मचारियों का प्रायः हर पांच वर्षों के बाद तबादला कर दिया जाता है;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि मध्य रेलवे में ऐसे अनेक रेलवे कर्मचारी हैं जिनका पांच वर्षों के अन्दर ही तबादला किया गया है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) से (ग). आवधिक तबादलों की एक योजना है जिसके अन्तर्गत उन कोटियों के रेल कर्मचारियों को जनता के सम्पर्क में आते हैं, एक स्टेशन पर पांच वर्ष से अधिक नहीं रखा जाता । लेकिन, मितव्ययिता के आधार पर इसे 1968 से आस्थगित रखा गया है । फिर भी, सेवा-निवृत्ति, मृत्यु, पदोन्नति, पद की समाप्ति आदि जैसी नौकरी की अपेक्षाओं के कारण तबादले होना अनिवार्य है ।

तिमारनी रेलवे स्टेशन (मध्य रेलवे) का विकास

5103. **श्री गं० च० दीक्षित :** क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या मध्य प्रदेश में, मध्य रेलवे में तिमारनी रेलवे स्टेशन का विकास करने तथा वहां पर एक अच्छा प्रतीक्षाकक्ष बनाने का विचार है, क्यों तिमारनी नगर में इमारती लकड़ी का व्यापार बहुत समुन्नत है तथा उसके परिणामस्वरूप वहां पर बहुत भीड़-भाड़ रहती है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो निर्माण-कार्य कब तक आरम्भ कर दिया जायेगा ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) मध्य रेलवे

के टिभरनी रेलवे स्टेशन को विकसित करने का अभी कोई विचार नहीं है। इस स्टेशन पर ऊंचे दर्जे के प्रतीक्षालय की व्यवस्था करने का भी औचित्य नहीं है क्योंकि इस स्टेशन से होने वाले ऊंचे दर्जे के यात्री यातायात की मात्रा बहुत कम है।

(ख) सवाल नहीं उठता।

मुरादाबाद डिवीजन के फायरमैनों को डीजल प्रशिक्षण

5104. **श्री राम चरण :**

श्री अर्जुनसिंह भदौरिया :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मुरादाबाद डिवीजन ने 1961 से अप्रैल, 1966 की अवधि में अनपढ़ फायरमैनों को, उनकी वरिष्टता को ध्यान में रखे बिना डीजल प्रशिक्षण के लिये भेजा था; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण थे तथा किस के आदेश से उक्त फायरमैन प्रशिक्षण के लिये भेजे गये थे ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेल मंत्री (श्री गोविंद मेनन) : (क) और (ख). जैसा कि इस विषय पर पहले पूछे गये प्रश्नों (18-2-69 के अतारांकित प्रश्न 54, 22-7-69 के अतारांकित प्रश्न 386 और 18-11-69 के अतारांकित प्रश्न 283) के उत्तर में विस्तार से बताया गया था, भाप इंजनों पर काम करने वाले कर्मचारियों को, जिनके पास मैट्रिक की अर्हता नहीं थी, डीजल इंजनों के काम पर लगाने की अनुमति थी।

ENQUIRY INTO CONCENTRATION OF ECONOMIC POWER

5105. SHRI LOBO PRABHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether after examination of the Dutt Panel Report, Government have enquired why in calculating concentration of economic power, public sector investment and production have not been included;

(b) the reasons why in calculations of the number of licences, the relevant capacities are ignored when they are more material than mere numbers;

(c) whether figures later than 1958-59 were not available for comparison of imports of capital goods with the paid-up capital, and

(d) the reasons why 60 large independent companies have been separately projected, since they do not exemplify the theory that size is sin, and received only 5.6 per cent licences against 59 per cent received by other companies, implemented after one year all but 9.3 per cent against comparative figures for public sector of 12.5 per cent and Co-operatives of 20.3 per cent ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) to (d). The methodology chosen by the Industrial Licensing Policy Inquiry Committee for the purpose of its investigation is based on certain well-defined criteria with reference to the terms of reference given to it and this has been explained in the report itself. One of the terms of reference of the Committee was to enquire into the working of the industrial licensing system during the period from 1956 to 1966 with a view to ascertaining whether the Larger Industrial Houses have, in fact, secured undue advantage over other applicants in the matter of issue of such licences; and if they have received a disproportionately large share of such licences, whether there was sufficient justification for this. For this part of the inquiry, the Committee has taken into consideration the applications received, approved and rejected for industrial licences, capital goods and foreign collaborations. The various categories of licences have been broadly grouped by the Committee under three heads, *viz.* (i) Large Industrial Sector which includes Large Houses, their Second Tier concerns and Large Independent Companies; (ii) Other Foreign Companies and "Other Companies" which consist of all the private

sector companies which do not belong to the Large Industrial Houses or their Second Tier concerns; and (iii) Public Sector and the Co-operative Sector. The Committee has not included the Public Sector in its analysis relating to the share of different licensee categories in industrial licences and other related benefits, as the licensing system does not have the same implications for the public sector, as it has for private industry. Further the investment with public sector which is for the public good cannot be equated with investments in the private sector where major benefit is derived by firms or groups of firms. The Committee took into account the fact that it would not be safe to rely only on the number of licences issued to the Large Industrial Sector to decide whether a disproportionate share of licences had been obtained by them. The Committee has, therefore, also looked into the comparative picture of the Large Industrial Sector and other licensee categories with reference to the paid-up capital in 1958-59, investment proposed and amounts approved by the Capital Goods Committee. The Committee based its enquiry on the paid-up capital in the year 1958-59, since data for any other year closer to 1956 (i.e. the year from which the inquiry starts), was not available. As for the point raised as to why Large Independent Companies have not been separately projected, it may be mentioned that since the assets of such companies exceeded Rs. 5 crores, these companies came within the category of the Large Industrial Sector as defined by the Committee. The fact that the percentage of implemented licences to issued licences was the highest in the case of the Large Independent Companies and 'Other Foreign Companies' has been clearly brought out in the Report of the Committee.

LETTER FROM STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS OF INDIA LTD., MADRAS

5106. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a letter dated the 19th May, 1969 from Shri K. Gopalakrishna Chairman, Standard Motor Products of India Ltd., Madras has been received by him;

(b) if so, the details thereof and his reaction thereon;

(c) whether the letter has been replied to; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) and (b). Presumably the Hon'ble Member is referring to the open letter dated the 19th May, 1969, published by Shri K. Gopalakrishna, Chairman, Standard Motor Products of India Ltd. in the Newspapers. This letter has come to the notice of Government.

The contention of the writer in this open letter was that the manufacturers had never had a profit margin of ten percent and that while the cost of manufacture had gone up on various counts, mostly beyond the control of manufacturers, the incidence of taxation had been the main factor responsible for increase in the price of cars. In conclusion, an appeal was made by the writer to Government to take a realistic and practical view in fixing the prices of passenger cars.

The relevant points made in this letter were also duly taken into consideration in notifying the selling prices of passenger cars under Section 18-G of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951 with effect from the 21st September, 1969.

(c) Government have not replied to this open letter.

(d) As this was an open letter published in the newspapers and as the three car manufacturers including M/s. Standard Motors Products of India had been advised on a number of occasions earlier that Government would take into consideration all relevant factors while arriving at a decision on the Tariff Commission Report (1968) on the Fixtion of Fair Selling Prices of Automobiles, it was not considered necessary to reply to this letter separately.

REPRESENTATION FROM DELHI PASSENGERS' WELFARE ASSOCIATION, ROHTAK FOR ADDITIONAL PASSENGER TRAINS

5107. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether he has received any representation from the Delhi Passengers' Welfare Association, Rohtak urging the intro-

duction of additional passenger trains on the Rohtak-Delhi Section;

(b) if so, whether any decision has been taken thereon; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). Introduction of an additional train between Delhi and Rohtak is, at present, operationally not feasible, for want of line capacity on Shankurbasti-Rohtak single line section. An engineering-cum-traffic survey for doubling of the section is in hand.

बिहार राज्य परिवहन निगम में केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा लगाई गयी पूंजी

5108. **श्री लखन लाल कपूर** : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बिहार राज्य सड़क परिवहन निगम की एक-तिहाई पूंजी भारत सरकार (भारतीय रेलवे) की है,

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि निगम में पूर्व रेलवे का प्रतिनिधित्व मुख्य वाणिज्यिक अधीक्षक द्वारा दक्षिण-पूर्व रेलवे का प्रतिनिधित्व उपमुख्य लेखाधिकारी द्वारा किया जाता है;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि अध्यक्ष मुख्य प्रबन्धक तथा शाखा प्रबन्धक के पदों पर उन व्यक्तियों को नियुक्त किया गया है जिन्हें वाणिज्य का कोई अनुभव नहीं है जिसके फलस्वरूप निगम कई वर्षों से घाटे पर चलता रहा है;

(घ) क्या यह भी सच है कि उक्त रेलवे अधिकारियों ने अभी तक ऐसा कोई सुझाव नहीं दिया है जिससे निगम की आय में वृद्धि हो सके; और

(ङ) यदि उपर्युक्त भागों के उत्तर स्वीकारात्मक हों, तो क्या केन्द्रीय सरकार तथा बिहार सरकार का विचार निगम की आय को बढ़ाने के उद्देश्य से मुख्य पदों पर व्यवसायिक रुचि वाले व्यक्तियों को नियुक्ति करने तथा निगम के घाटे के लिये उत्तरदायी व्यक्तियों के विरुद्ध कार्यवाही करने का है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) जी नहीं । बिहार राज्य सड़क परिवहन निगम की पूंजी में केन्द्रीय सरकार (रेलों) का वर्तमान भाग कुल का एक चौथाई है । लेकिन 1969–70 से आगे के लिए निगम की पूंजी में कुल पूंजी के एक तिहाई के बराबर अंशदान करने का विनिश्चय किया गया है।

(ख) बिहार राज्य सड़क परिवहन निगम के निदेशक-मंडल में रेलवे विभाग का प्रतिनिधित्व पूर्व रेलवे के मुख्य वाणिज्य अधीक्षक और उपमुख्य लेखा अधिकारी (सां०) करते हैं ।

(ग) गत कुछ वर्षों में जनता के प्रमुख व्यक्तियों या भारतीय प्रशासनिक सेवा के अनुभवी अधिकारियों को बिहार राज्य सड़क परिवहन निगम का अध्यक्ष महाप्रबन्धक नियुक्त किया जाता रहा है । निगम में शाखा प्रबन्धक का कोई पद नहीं है ।

(घ) जी नहीं । निगम के निदेशक मंडल की बैठकों में रेलवे के प्रतिनिधि भाग लेते है और विभिन्न पहलुओं पर अपने विचार तथा सुझाव प्रस्तुत करते है, जिनमें निगम के खर्च में कमी करने और आय बढ़ाने के उपाय शामिल हैं ।

(ङ) निगम में प्रमुख पदों पर नियुक्तियां बिहार सरकार द्वारा की जाती हैं, जो केवल वाणिज्य में अनुभव वाले व्यक्तियों को ऐसे पदों पर नियुक्ति करना आवश्यक नहीं समझती ।

जहां तक निगम को होने वाली हानि के लिए जिम्मेदार व्यक्तियों के विरुद्ध कोई कार्रवाई करने का सम्बन्ध है, यह मामला राज्य सरकार से सम्बन्धित है।

INDUSTRIAL ESTATE IN NADIAD

5109. SHRI P. N. SOLANKI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Nadiad city in Kaira District of Gujrat State has been selected for setting up an Industrial Estate;

(b) the number of small scale industries which can be housed in the proposed Industrial Estate;

(c) Whether the Central Government have extended any financial help to this Industrial Estate; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) An Induastrial Estate is proposed to be set up by the Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation at Nadiad.

(b) The Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation has formed 88 plots according to the development programme prepared by it.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

UNDER-GROUND RAILWAY FOR BOMBAY

5110. SHRI BASWANT : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the opinion expressed by his Ministry to start under-ground Railway at Bombay during peak hours to avoid over-crowding;

(b) when a survey report in this connection will be available; and

(c) the amount allotted for this scheme during the Fourth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) and (b). The question of providing a Rapid Transit System, which may consist of underground or overhead Railway lines, for Bombay, is being examined by the Metropolitan Transport Team of the Planning Commission. The final Report of this Team is awaited.

(c) A provision of Rs. 50 crores has been made in the Draft Fourth Five Year Plan for projects in connection with Mass Transit facilities in the Metropolitan Cities of Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Delhi.

TRAIN OF 12 BOGIES FOR WESTERN AND CENTRAL RAILWAYS SECTION IN BOMBAY

5111. SHRI BASWANT : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the percentage of increase in passenger traffic during the last three years, yearwise for the Western and Central Railways Suburban Sections in Bombay;

(b) to avoid over-crowding during peak hours whether it is proposed to start a 12 bogies train; and

(c) if so, when it is proposed to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) The percentage increase/decrease in Suburban passenger traffic in the Bombay Sububan area during the last three years was as under :

	Central Railway	Western Railway
Increase in 1966-67 over 1965-66.	3·38	8·33
Increase in 1967-68 over 1966-67.	4·84	1·77
Decrease in 1968-69 over 1967-38.	—5·30	—2·30

(b) and (c). A feasibility survey for running 12 car rakes on the Bombay suburban section of the Central Railway has been completed and a scheme has been prepared which is under consideration, in consultation with the Planning Commission. Mean while the Central Railway is working out detailed proposals including estimates.

For the suburban sections of the Western Railway, a similar feasibility survey is being made.

NEW STATION AT NILJA ON DIVA-PANVEL LINE, BOMBAY DIVISION (CENTRAL RAILWAY).

5112. SHRI BASWANT : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has received any demand for a new Station at Nilja on the Diva-Panvel line of the Bombay Division (Central Railway);

(b) whether any decision to open a new station at Nilja (at industrial area) has been arrived at; and

(c) if so, what is the present position and when the work is likely to start?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). The proposal for opening a new station at Nilje (not Nilja) on Diva-Panvel B.G. Line of Central Railway was examined but found not feasible from the engineering point of view. The feasibility of providing the proposed station at an alternative site was also examined but was found not financially justified.

SUPPLY OF BOGIES FOR LOCAL TRAINS IN BOMBAY, CALCUTTA AND MADRAS

5113. SHRI BASWANT: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) how many bogies have been supplied to Bombay, Calcutta and Madras suburban Sections for local trains during the last three years;

(b) the extent of increase in the number of passengers on these sections;

(c) whether bogies have been supplied in proportion to increase in passenger traffic; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) A total of 186 coaches were added to the suburban services in Bombay, Calcutta and Madras, during the last 3 years as detailed below:

	Year	No. of coaches added	Percentage increase in no. of coaches
Bombay	1966-67	43	5·4
	1967-68	nil	nil
	1968-69	nil	nil
Calcutta	1966-67	nil	nil
	1967-68	22	3·7
	1968-69	43	6·9
Madras	1966-67	60	62·5 (A)
	1967-68	17	10·9
	1968-69	1	0·06

NOTE (A): This increase is associated with A.C. electrification of Madras-Villupuram section.

(b) The increase/decrease in the number of passengers in Bombay, Calcutta and Madras suburban services during the last 3 years were as detailed below :

	Year	Increase in the no. of passengers in Millions	Percentage increase in no. of passengers
Bombay	1966-67	40·18	5·9
	1967-68	23·63	3·2
	1968-69	—28.27	—3·8 (B)
Calcutta	1966-67	2·64	1·0
	1967-68	1·06	0·4
	1968-69	18·26	7·1
Madras	1966-67	12·18	15
	1967-68	0·48	0·5
	1968-69	—12·19	—13·0 (B)

Note (B) : There has been a decrease in the number of passengers during the the year 68-69 in the Bombay and Madras areas.

(c) The number of bogies supplied has been in proportion to the increase in traffic over the three-year period though not exactly so in each year, as will be seen from the percentages indicated above.

(d) Plans for the provision of additional coaches are made on the basis of traffic estimates, availability of production capacity for EMUs, etc. and minor variations in certain years are unavoidable.

NEW FLAG STATION AT TANSET ON KALYAN-KASARA SECTION (CENTRAL RAILWAY)

5114. SHRI BASWANT : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Local and Passenger trains are halting at Tanset on the Kalyan-Kasara Section of the Central Railway on account of Power House;

(b) whether the people going to and coming from the Bhatasa Project are travelling without tickets on account of this halt and in view of the difficulties experienced by the people, what objection is there to start a Flag Station at Tanset; and

(c) if there is any proposal, when it is likely to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Two local trains and two passenger trains are stopped at Thansit (not Tanset) Block station to enable railway employees working at the railway station and at the Traction Sub-Station located nearby to to reach their place of work as they are not provided with any residential accommodation at this station.

(b) & (c). The question of opening Thansit Block station for passenger traffic has been examined but the proposal has not been found feasible financially as well as from the Engineering point of view as the Block station is situated on a steep gradient.

Some passengers have been detected travelling without tickets from Thansit Block station but charges according to rules were recovered from them.

CLASS DISTINCTION FOR TRAVEL ON RAILWAYS

5115. SHRI B. P. MANDAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of receipts from Passenger fares during the last three years;

(b) the annual percentage during these three years from the passengers of the Air-conditioned; First Class, Second Class and Third Class, respectively; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the continuance of class distinction for travel on the Railways is and anachronism to the idea of socialism and, if so, whether Government contemplate to do away with these classes on the Railways ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the table of the Sabha.

(c) No, Sir. Railways being a public undertaking have to provide classes of travel for which there is public demand.

STATEMENT

(a) and (b). The Passenger Earnings and the percentage in the various classes of travel during the past three years were as under :—

	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69*
Passenger Earnings (Crores Rs.)	229·34	252·64	265·10
Percentage of total Passenger Earnings:			
Air-conditioned Class	0·90	0·92	0·86
1st Class	7·50	7·19	7·33
2nd Class	3·43	3·30	3·06
Air-conditioned Chaircars.	0·29	0·40	0·39
3rd Class	87·88	88·19	88·36
Total	100·00	100·00	100·00

*Provisional.

पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे में माल क्लर्कों, कोच क्लर्कों, टिकट कलक्टरों और गार्डों की नियुक्ति के लिए उम्मीदवारों का चयन

5116. **श्री मोलहू प्रसाद** : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगी कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि अप्रैल, 1968 में रेलवे सेवा संघ आयोग, इलाहाबाद के माल क्लर्क, कोच क्लर्क, टिकट कलक्टर और गार्ड के पदों के लिये उम्मीदवारों का चयन किया था;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इस रेलवे सेवा आयोग ने चुने गये उम्मीदवारों की एक सूची पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे को भेजी थी और चुने गये उम्मीदवारों को भी इस बात की सूचना भेजी गई थी; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इन में से प्रत्येक श्रेणी में अब तक कितने उम्मीदवारों को नियुक्त किया गया है; कितनों को नियुक्त किया जा रहा है अथवा नियुक्त किया जायेगा ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) चुनाव को जनवरी, 1968 में अन्तिम रूप दिया गया।

(ख) आयोग ने पेनल फरवरी, 1968 में पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे को भेजे थे। चुने गये उन उम्मीदवारों को सूचना दी गयी थी जिन्होंने डाक टिकट सहित अपना पता लिखा लिफाफा भेजा था।

(ग):

कोटि	सेवा आयोग द्वारा पेनल पर रखे उम्मीदवारों की संख्या	जिन उम्मीदवारों को गये नियुक्ति प्रस्ताव भेजा गया, उनकी संख्या
कोचिंग क्लर्क	83	25
टिकट क्लर्क	50	5
गाड़ी क्लर्क	42	2
माल बाबू	59	—

POSTING OF PARCEL CLERKS TO NEW DELHI STATION

5117. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) Whether it is a fact that some Parcel Clerks have been transferred from Ambala City to New Delhi station in the month of September, 1969 ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that these Parcel Clerks had been punished several times for the thefts or loss of parcels and in other corruption cases;

(c) whether it is further a fact that these Parcel Clerks have also been held responsible by the Central Bureau of Investigation for theft of 3 bales of cloth while they were working at Delhi main station; and

(d) if so, the reasons for transferring them back to Delhi area where there are more chances of thefts and corruption?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) One Parcel Clerk has been transferred from Ambala City to New Delhi in September, 1969.

(b) and (c). The said Parcel Clerk has been punished four times in the course of last seven years for irregularities in working. He also figured in a case of alleged theft of 3 bales of cloth at Delhi Main in 1962. Investigations into the case were made by the Central Bureau of Investigation. No charges as such were framed by the Central Bureau of Investigation against him. But the investigations *prima-facie* revealed that he had incorrectly and without authority identified a person in taking delivery of a parcel not due to him for which he has been suitably dealt with departmentally.

(d) He has been transferred to Delhi area after an interval of five years on mutual exchange.

ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR BONDAMUNDA MARSHALLING YARD (S.E. RAILWAY)

5118. SHRI D. AMAT: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether for Bondamunda, the second largest marshalling yard (S.E. Railway), next to Belgrade in the Asiatic Zone, a vast area has been acquired for the purpose;

(b) whether it is also a fact that some of the areas, lying unused and remaining as fallow lands inside and adjoining the marshalling yard, are being cultivated by the Railway employees and by some outsiders, on payment of "Salamee" @ Rs. 90/- and Rs. 45/- for Bahal (good cultivated land)

and Gora (dry) land, respectively, per acre of land; and

(c) if so, whether the Railway authorities are thinking in terms of releasing these areas for occupation and cultivation by those who were the original holders of the plots ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) 1929.59 acres of land were acquired for the construction and future development of Bondamunda marshalling yard.

(b) 21 acres are being cultivated by Railway employees on payment of yearly licence fee of Rs. 100/- and Rs. 45/- per acre respectively for double crop and single crop land. Some outsiders are also cultivating certain areas unauthorisedly.

(c) Yes, after examining the Railway's need for land in the foreseeable future.

REFUND OF EXCESS AMOUNT CHARGED BY PREMIER AUTOMOBILES CO. FOR CAR PRICE

5119. SHRI BIBHUTI MISHRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Premier Automobiles Co. has not yet refunded the differences between the price unilaterally charged by it and the controlled price fixed by Government, to those who have bought cars after the recent price rise by the Company; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) and (b). M/s. Premier Automobiles Ltd., Bombay unilaterally increased the price of their Fiat car with effect from the 8th September, 1969. The ex-factory retail selling prices of the three makes of cars manufactured in the country were notified by Government under Section 18-G of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951, on the 21st September, 1969. During the period from the 8th September, 1969 to the 20th September, 1969, some Fiat cars were sold by the dealers at the increased price unilaterally fixed by the manufacturers. As the statutory control on the price of Fiat cars came into force with effect from the 21st September, 1969, Government are not in a position to direct the firm to refund to the customers the difference between the price notified by Government and the price at which Fiat cars were sold during the period from the 8th to 20th September, 1969.

DEMAND OF STATION MASTERS' ASSOCIATION SEALDAH DIVISION (EASTERN RAILWAY) FOR PROTECTION FROM HOOLIGANS

5120. SHRI BAIDHAR BEHERA :
SHRI S. KUNDU :
SHRI J. AHMED :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the All India Station Masters' Association, Sealdah Division on the Eastern Railway has demanded protection from hooligans;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for their putting forth this demand; and

(c) the steps taken to meet their demand?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As there have been certain incidents where station staff have been manhandled by public and passengers.

(c) Attacks on persons relate to 'law and order'. However, since the Railways are vitally concerned with this aspect also, the matter was pursued with the Government of West Bengal who have created a special crime cell with the help of the State CID and Crime Intelligence Branch of the Railway Protection Force to keep a watch and spot out criminals responsible for incidents of heinous crimes in the area.

समस्तीपुर से रक्सौल तक बड़ी रेल लाइन

5121. **श्री विभूति मिश्र** : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने अपनी रिपोर्ट के आधार पर निर्णय किया है कि समस्तीपुर से

मुजफ्फरपुर होते हुए रक्सौल तक एक बड़ी लाइन की व्यवस्था की जाये; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस सम्बन्ध में कार्य कब तक आरम्भ किये जाने की संभावना है तथा किस तारीख तक यह लाइन पूरी हो जाने का अनुमान है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) और (ख). मुजफ्फरपुर–दर भंगा के रास्ते समस्तीपुर–रक्सौल मीटर लाइन खण्ड के लाइन परिवर्तन के सम्बन्ध में इंजीनियरिंग और यातायात सर्वेक्षण किये जा रहे हैं। सर्वेक्षण कार्य जल्द ही पूरा हो जायेगा। सर्वेक्षण पूरा हो जाने के बाद ही लाइन परिवर्तन की इस योजना के प्रस्ताव पर आगे विचार किया जायेगा।

डिब्रूगढ़ और बरौनी के बीच रेल गाड़ियों में भीड़

5122. **श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी** : क्या **रेलवे** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को इस बात का पता है कि डिब्रूगढ़ और बरौनी के बीच यात्रा करने वाले सैनिकों, चाय बागानों और तेल तथा प्राकृतिक गैस आयोग से सम्बन्धित लोगों की इतनी भीड़ रहती है कि रेलवे की वर्तमान व्यवस्था इसके लिये पर्याप्त नहीं है और यात्रियों को बड़ी कठिनाई होती है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार का विचार आसाम मेल के अलावा दो अतिरिक्त उप और डाउन मेल गाड़ियां अथवा जनता एक्स प्रेस गाड़ियां चलाने का है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) से (ग)· 1-6-69 से 1 अप/2 डाउन ए० टी० मेल का चालनक्षेत्र गुवाहाटी तक बढ़ा दिये जाने से और 15 अप/16 डाउन लखनऊ–गुवाहाटी एक्सप्रेस में 5 सवारी डिब्बे एवं 3अप/4 डाउन बरौनी–डिब्रूगढ़ डाउन आसाम मेल में दो सवारी डिब्बे एवं 19 अप/20 डाउन न्यूबंगाईगांव–तिनसुकिया सवारी गाड़ी में एक सवारी डिब्बा और बढ़ा देने से तथा इसके साथ–साथ 11-10-69 से एक जोड़ी अतिरिक्त एक्सप्रेस गाड़ियां (17 अप / 18 डाउन वैशाली एक्सप्रेस) चला देने से, बरौनी–डिब्रूगढ़ मार्ग पर यात्री जनता के लिए काफी राहत कर दी गयी है। इस मार्ग पर यातायात में और वृद्धि होने पर, लाइन क्षमता आदि के रूप में अपेक्षित साधनों की उपलब्धता के अनुसार अतिरिक्त गाड़ी–सुविधाओं की व्यवस्था की जायेगी।

Signal and Telecommunication Department of North Eastern Railway

5123. SHRI SURAJ BHAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that more than seven designations have been prescribed in the Signal and Telecommunications Department of the North Eastern Railways in contravention of the pattern adopted on the Northern Railway ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that as a result of the said discrimination, the official possessing same qualifications and performing same duties are drawing lesser emoluments in the North Eastern Railway (S&T Department) than those in the Northern Railway;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to remove this anomaly early by adopting one pattern for this category of staff on all the Railways in the country; and

(d) if not, the reason therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) There are more than 30 standard designations of Signal and Telecommunication staff which have been indicated in the printed schedules issued to all the railways (including North Eastern and Nor-

thern Railways), after implementation of the recommendations of the Second Pay Commission. All the Railway Administrations are authorised to operate all or any of the grades and the standard designations indicated in the said schedules, according to the requirements and importance of work. Therefore, the number of posts in the various grades may not be uniform on all the Railways.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

PERIODICAL TRANSFER AND POSTING OF STAFF ON NORTHERN RAILWAY

5124. SHRI SURAJ BHAN :
SHRI RAM SINGH AYARWAL :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Circular No. 847E/69 dated the 31st October, 1969 issued by the Divisional Superintendent, Northern Railway, New Delhi in connection with the periodical transfers, posting of staff according to classification of stations (ladder procedure on the basis of Educational and Medical facilities etc.) has been held in abeyance upto 1970 as per Railway Board's orders and if so, whether the policy is being enforced ;

(b) whether any transfers, permanent or temporary, have been effected in defiance of the said order ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) :

(a) Yes, Circular No. 847E/69(Ei) was issued by Divisional Superintendent, Delhi on 1-11-1969.

(b) No

(c) Does not arise.

TRANSPORT NEEDS OF BRAHAMAPUTRA VALLEY

5125. SHRI DHIRESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Gauhati University undertook responsibility on behalf of the Government of Assam to make study and submit report expeditiously regarding the transport needs of Brahmaputra Valley especially lower Assam, for which the Railway authority paid Rs. 30,000;

(b) if so, what is the Progress of the report; and

(c) whether this is in connection with the extension of broad gauge line from Jogighopa to Tinsukia-Dibrugarh along with a construction of a bridge over river Brahmaputra linking Jogighopa and Pancharatna ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) :

(a) to (c). Representations had been received for the construction of a new Railway line from Jogighopa to Gauhati along the South Bank of the river Brahmaputra with a bridge across the river at Jogighopa. It was felt that preliminary investigations for such a line should be carried out by an independent body like the Gauhati University. The latter therefore took up an economic study of the transport requirements of the lower Brahmaputra valley at a cost of Rs. 30,000 (Recently an additional sum of Rs. 5,000/- has also been sanctioned). The economic study had been completed and the report has just been received by the Railway Board. There is at present no proposal to extend the B.G. line to Tinsukia/Dibrugarh.

VISIT BY SOVIET DELEGATION TO HEAVY ENGINEERING CORPORATION, RANCHI

5126. SHRI RABI RAY : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the nine-member Soviet delegation which was touring India to finalize the wagon deal visited the Heavy Engineering Corporation, Ranchi to assess the quantum of structurals which the Heavy Machine Building Plant could supply to feed the wagon building industry; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K.C. PANT) :

(a) and (b). A nine-member Soviet Delegation which was touring India to finalise the wagon deal visited Heavy Engineering Corporation Limited, Ranchi on 31st October, 1969 along with officers of the State Trading Corporation. The steel fabrication workshop of Heavy Machine Building Plant where the wagons were proposed to be manufactured was also visited by them. There was no reference to the supply of structurals for the wagon building industry.

NORMS REGARDING USE OF MATERIAL AND ENERGY AND OF YIELD IN STEEL MANUFACTURING PROCESS

5127. SHRI RABI RAY : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether his Ministry has decided to establish norms in respect of use of materials and energy and of yield at each stage of the manufacturing process of steel industry as a major programme of Cost Control; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL & HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) and (b). Hindustan Steel Ltd. has laid down certain norms of consumption of the principal raw materials and energy as well as of yields in the various units of the three integrated steel plants. The underlying objective in the evolution of these norms is to provide the technical parameters against which the performance of the various units of a steel plant could be appraised. These norms have also been made use of in the formulation of the system of standard costing for the Steel Plants. The norms cover such items as heat consumption and yields of coke and coke oven gas etc. per tonne of dry charge in Coke Ovens, consumption of iron ore, limestone, dolomite etc. per tonne of hot metal in Blast Furnace, use of various materials and ingot yield in Steel Melting Shop and consumption of heat and electricity and yields in each of the Rolling Mills.

जी० एम० सी० यार्ड कानपुर में असिस्टेंट स्टेशन मास्टरों की वरिष्ठता

5128. **श्री बृज भूषण लाल :**

श्री जगन्नाथ राव जोशी :

क्या **रेलवे** मंत्री 26 अगस्त, 1969 के अतारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 4967 के उत्तर के संबंध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि जी० एम० सी० यार्ड, कानपुर में 205–280 रुपये के ग्रेड में असिस्टेंट स्टेशन मास्टरों की वरिष्ठता जुलाई, 1967 की वरिष्ठता सूची में 18 मई, 1964 की वरिष्ठता सूची में दिखाई गई वरिष्ठता से नीचे दिखाई गई है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उनके नाम क्या है;

(ग) इसके क्या कारण है और इस सम्बन्ध में क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो इस बारे में वास्तविक स्थिति क्या है ?

विधि तथा समाज कल्याण और रेलवे मंत्री (श्री गोविन्द मेनन) : (क) जी० यार्ड, कानपुर में 205–280 रुपये के अधिकृत वेतनमान में काम करने वाले सहायक स्टेशन मास्टरों की कोई वरिष्ठता सूची जुलाई, 1967 में और 18 मई, 1964 को जारी नहीं की गई।

(ख) से (घ) ऊपर भाग (क) के उत्तर को देखते हुए सवाल नहीं उठता।

VISIT BY SOVIET EXPERTS TO HEAVY ELECTRICAL PLANT, HARDWAR

5129. SHRI VIRENDRAKUMAR SHAH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a team of Soviet experts expected to visit the Heavy Electrical Plant at Hardwar in September-October this year, has visited the plant by now;

(b) if so, whether it has made any recommendations regarding the improvement in the working of the plant and, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Russian Government has given any assurance regarding lifting of surplus production of the Unit?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) A team of Soviet experts is at present visiting the Heavy Electrical plant at Hardwar. The plant was also recently visited by Mr. Antono, Soviet Minister for Electrical Industries.

(b) The Soviet team has not yet finalised its recommendations.

(c) The Soviet authorities had earlier assured assistance in developing exports of heavy electrical equipment which would be manufactured in this plant. Details in this regard are under examination and discussion at present.

GRANT OF LOAN FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF TRIPURA

5130. SHRI MOHAMMAD ISMAIL :
SHRI B. K. MODAK :
SHRI E.K. NAYANAR :
SHRI GANESH GHOSH :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount of Industrial loan advanced in Tripura during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether the Industrial Schemes for which these loans have been advanced have all been implemented;

(c) if not, in how many cases they have not been implemented; and

(d) total number of people engaged at present in the schemes implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF INSUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F.A AHMED) : (a) Total amount of Industrial loan advanced during the last three years is as follows:—

	Rs.
1966-67	2,05,500
1967-68	175,700
1968-69	4,13,750

(b) No, Sir,

(c) Six cases.

(d) 423 people.

AVAILABILITY OF BILLETS FOR SALE

1 . SHRI VIRENDRAKUMAR SHAH: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 3205 on the 12th August, 1969 and state :

(a) whether the estimated availability of billets for sale from the main steel producers during 1969-70 at 8.9. lakh tonnes will be achieved;

(b) if not, the details of the actual despatches of billets of all types, separately, in the first 8 months of 1969-70; and

(c) the estimated availability of billets for sale in the remaining four months of the current fiscal year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL & HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) No, Sir. The production of prime quality steel billets (excluding defectives) during the first six months of 1969-70 has been 382,000 tonnes, and the estimated availability of 8.9 lakh tonnes during 1969-70 is not, therefore, likely to be achieved.

(b) The domestic despatches of billets during the first six months of 1969-70 for which period the figures are available have been as under :

(Metric Tonnes)

Tested	Other prime quality including special steel billets.
194,100	158,400

(c) It is estimated that the availability of billets for sale in the remaining four months will be by and large at the same level as for the last eight months.

LAYING OF RAILWAY LINE FROM KANWAT STATION TO PYRITES MINES

5132. SHRI NAVAL KISHORE SHARMA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Railway Administration propose to lay a Railway line from Kanwat Station of Sikar District to the Pyrites mines to facilitate the mineral development;

(b) if so, by what time the work is likely to start; and

(c) the estimated cost and the length of the line to be laid?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) to (c). A request received from the Pyrites, Phosphates and Chemicals Ltd. for carrying out surveys at their cost for a railway siding to connect Saladipura Pyrites Mines, is under consideration.

KOTHARI COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING RAILWAY TEACHERS

5133. SHRI NAVAL KISHORE SHARMA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railway Administration has accepted the recommendations of the Kothari Commission with regard to its teachers; and

(b) if not, what are the main recommendations which have not been accepted and the reasons for not accepting them ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) On the basis of the recommendations of the Kothari Commission as adopted by the Ministry of Education for schools in Centrally-administered areas, the scales of pay of Teachers working in Railway Schools have been revised upwards with effect from 1-5-1969.

(b) Does not arise.

LOW STANDARD OF EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS RUN BY WESTERN RAILWAY

5134. SHRI NAVAL KISHORE SHARMA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of students in the various schools of the Western Railway has increased very much;

(b) whether it is also a fact that while the number of students has increased, the number of teachers is more or less the same;

(c) whether it is further a fact that because of this the education standards are falling; and

(d) if so, whether the Railway Administration propose to take steps to increase the number of teachers in proportion to the increase in students ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) There is a small increase in the number of students.

(b) Yes.

(c) No.

(d) Yes.

RECOGNITION OF TEACHERS' ASSOCIATIONS BY RAILWAY ADMINISTRATION

5135. SHRI NAVAL KISHORE SHARMA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Railway Administration has refused the right of the Railway Teachers to join or be members of the various labour organisations and has advised them to form their own associations;

(b) if so, whether any of these associations have approached the Administration for recognition and if so, whether the recognition has been granted to any Teachers' Association;

(c) whether the Western Railway Association has approached for such recognition; and

(d) if so, the views of the Administration about the recognition and the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) to (d) Railway Teachers do not come under the classification of Industrial employees and cannot, therefore, join Trade Unions. However, Northeast Frontier Railway Teachers' Association had been granted recognition to provide a channel of representation for them. Subsequently when the recognition of Teachers' Associations on other Railways came up for consideration, the Central Government

Employees' Relations Bill was already under consideration of Government and the question of grant of recognition to further Associations of Teachers was reserved for consideration, pending the enactment of that statute. Accordingly, no recognition was granted to Western Railway Teachers' Association.

DERAILMENT OF GOODS TRAIN BETWEEN BHILVADI AND KIRLOSKARVADI STATIONS (SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY)

5136. SHRI VISHWANATH PANDEY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that sixteen wagons of a Goods train capsized and three of them derailed on the 31st August, 1969 between Bhilvadi and Kirloskarvadi stations on the Miraj-Poona metre-guage section of Hubli Division of the South Central Railway;

(b) if so, the causes of the derailment; and

(c) the total loss of the Railway property?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) On 31-8-1969, 15 wagons of goods train No. MG. 1 Up capsized and 3 wagons derailed between Bhilvadi and Kirloskarvadi stations of the South Central Railway.

(b) The wagon marshalled 16th from the train engine derailed due to running at a higher speed resulting in breakage of the plates of the left leading spring on the run. This resulted in the subsequent capsizement/derailment of 17 wagons marshalled 13th and 17th to 32nd from the train engine.

(c) The cost of damage to railway property has been estimated at approximately Rs. 53,400/-.

CONTROL ON DISTRIBUTION OF STEEL

5137. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are contemplating to reimpose control on the distribution of steel;

(b) whether the Luther Committee has submitted its report on the subject; and

(c) if so, the main recommendations of the Committee and the reactions of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) and (b). A Departmental Study Group has been set up by the Ministry to study the system of distribution of steel. The Group has not submitted its report yet.

(c) Does not arise.

LOSSES INCURRED BY DURGAPUR STEEL PLANT

5138. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of the recurring losses suffered by the Durgapur Steel Plant every month during the last two years;

(b) if so, what has been the improvement; and

(c) if not, the reasons for the unabated losses suffered by this Steel Plant and the steps proposed to be taken to mitigate the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL & HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) and (b) : Government have had under continuous review the performance and working of the Durgapur Steel Plant. The loss sustained by the Durgapur Steel Plant during 1968-69 was Rs. 17.37 crores as against Rs. 18.08 crores in 1967-68.

(c) The basic handicaps faced by the HSL Plants have been indicated in a paper presented to Parliament on April 5, 1968—"Performance of Hindustan Steel". Additionally, performance of the Durgapur Steel Plant has for some time been particularly affected because of continuing labour unrest and also because heavy backlogs of maintenance. On the industrial relations front, constant dialogues and discussions are held with representatives of the workers and cooperation of the State Government sought. The Hindustan Steel Employees Union has been recognised as the representative Union with effect

from the 5th August, 1969. There was an expert review of the performance of the Plant some time ago by the Pande Committee and necessary follow up action on the recommendations made covering maintenance, etc. is being taken.

SETTING UP OF A STEEL PLANT IN ORISSA

5139. SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that a Steel Mission of the Economic Commission for Asia and Far East recently visited Orissa and recommended the setting up of a steel plant in the State ;

(b) if so, whether Government have agreed to set up a Steel Plant in the State of Orissa; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) to (c). A Steel Survey Mission organised by the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East visited a few places in Orissa in November, 1969 as part of their itinerary to this and other countries of the region. It has yet to finalise its report.

ABSORPTION OF STAFF RENDERED SURPLUS ON COMPLETION OF ROURKELA-DURG RAILWAY ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT

5140. SHRI TENNETI VISWANATHAM : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the employment potentiality will be considerably reduced in the Rourkela-Durg Railway Electrification work by the end of December, 1969; and

(b) if so, whether Government would absorb the surplus staff in the Virar-Sabarmati Section or Durg-Nagpur Railway electrification scheme or electrification of the circular Railway (Calcutta)?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

TREATMENT OF RAILWAY CHIEF CASHIERS AS RAILWAY OFFICERS

5141. SHRI TENNETI VISWANATHAM : : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be plased to state :

(a) whether the Chief Cashiers in the Indian Railways are treated as Railway Officers;

(b) whether the services of the Railway officers are transferable in nature;

(c) whether the post of a Chief Cashier is a transferable service; and

(d) if not, what are the specific reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) The services of Chief Cashiers & Paymasters are transferable.

(d) Does not arise.

RAILWAY ELECTRIFICATION WORK IN KIRANDUL-WALTAIR SECTION (S. E. RAILWAY)

5142. SHRI TENNETI VISWANATHAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to take up the Railway electrification work in the Kirandul-Waltair Section of the South Eastern Railway ; and

(b) whether there is scope for absorption of the Railway Electrification surplus staff from the Rourkela-Durg Section ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) The proposal is under consideration.

(b) It is not possible at this stage to indicate what man-power requirements will be met from the Construction staff of Rourkela-Durg Section.

PAPER AND PULP INDUSTRY IN BASTER

5143. SHRI D.V. SINGH : Will the MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether the Madhya Pradesh Government have submitted schemes for the development of paper and pulp industries in Baster and other forest bearing areas of Madhya Pradesh under 1969-70 or under Fourth Plan;

(b) if so, the details of the schemes; their financial outlay and production capacity to be installed thereunder; and

(c) Governments decisions thereon?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

DISCUSSION OF WANCHOO COMMITTEE REPORT ON RAILWAY ACCIDENTS WITH RAILWAY UNIONS

5144. SHRI GEORGE FERNANADES: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the report of the Wanchoo Committee on Railway Accidents has been considered by Government;

(d) whether it is proposed to discuss the report with the representatives of the Railway Unions; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) : (a) A statement is attached.

(b) and (c). The Railway Accidents Inquiry Committee-1968 themselves have taken the evidence of the National Federation of Indian Railwaymen and other bodies of organised labour. Government's views are therefore being formulated without any further consultation with Railway Unions.

The Railway Accidents Inquiry Committee-1968 submitted their Report in two parts — the first part in November, 1968 and the second and final in August, 1969 respectively.

2. Part I of the Report, which contained 139 observations and 90 recommendations, had been laid on the Table of the House in November, 1968. Later it was examined in detail and the views of the Ministry of Railways on the various observations and recommendations made by the Committee in this part were circulated along with the Railway Budget documents in February, 1969. Of the 90 recommendations in this part of the Report only one recommendation regarding fixing of norms for manning or upgrading level crossings was not accepted. This too is being reconsidered in the light of observations made by the Committee in Part II of their Report.

3. Action, as necessary, on the various observations and recommendations contained in Part I of the Report along the lines indicated in the "Views of the Ministry of Railways (Railway Board)", has already been taken and the implementation is being watched.

4. The second and final part of the Report covers many facets of railway working and contains 500 observations and recommendations. This is under consideration and the views of the Ministry of Railways on the various observations and recommendations will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as these are finalised. Necessary action to implement the recommendations in the light of views of the Ministry of Railways (Railway Board) on these will be initiated soon after.

GRIEVANCES OF MARINE STAFF OF EASTERN RAILWAY AT MOKAMEH GHAT

5145. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether he has received any report from any quarter regarding the grievances of the Marine Staff of the Eastern Railway at Mokameh Ghat;

(b) if so, the details of the grievances; and

(c) the action taken by Government to settle them.

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON) (a). Yes.

(b) and (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in library. See No. LT-2504/69*]

GOENKA GROUP OF INDUSTRIES

5146. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU:
SHRI GANESH GHOSH:
SHRI B. K. MODAK:
SHRI BHAGABAN DAS:
SHRI K. HALDER :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2218 on the 5th August, 1969 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Shri Goenka and his group have acquired between 70 to 80 lakhs shares of the Indian Iron and Steel Co. Ltd;

(b) if so, the percentage of shares in the Indian Iron and Steel Co. held by Shri Goenka and his Group;

(c) the names and details of the shareholders (including the Trusts);

(d) whether it is a fact that a leading Indian Scheduled Bank gave financial assistance to Shri Goenka and his Group for acquiring Indian Iron and Steel Co. shares in contravention of the Company and Banking rules and regulations; and

(e) if so, the action taken, if any, by Government against the parties concerned?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) :

(a) and (b). As stated by the then Deputy Prime Minister in the Lok Sabha on the 20th November, 1968, while making a statement on the calling Attention Notice, Shri Goenka and his group have acquired between 70 to 80 lakhs equity shares in the Indian Iron & Steel Company Ltd. Since the bulk of his holdings stand on different names such as companies under his control, friends and associates and brokers it is difficult to indicate the precise holdings or changes that might have occurred since then.

(c) According to the distribution of shareholdings as on the 4th September, 1968, the total number of shareholders in number of equity shares 2,48,81,798 of Rs. 10/ each. The names of shareholders together with their holdings are contained in the Annual Returns which the Company files with the Registrar of Companies Calcutta. These returns are available for inspection under Section 610 of the Companies Act, 1956. In the circumstances compilation of the relevant information from voluminous records will be disproportionate to the results to be achieved. According to Section 153 of the Companies Act, no notice of any trust is entered on the register of members. However four trustees namely, Sarvshri S. K. Ganguly, K. Ganesan, R. N. Sen and P. K. Choksey hola together 33,69,200 ordinary shares in their names in the company.

(d) and (e) At the beginning of the year the total amount of advances by the Punjab National Bank against Indian Iron shares aggregated to Rs. 107 lakhs. The advance was reduced to Rs. 43·51 lakhs in August, 1969. According to its usual practice the Bank was originally maintaining a margin of 30% against the Indian Iron shares. Following instructions from the Reserve Bank in June 1968 the margin was raised to 40%. The advances by the Bank to Shri Goenka and his associates did not involve any infringement of the provisions of law or of directions by the Reserve Bank in this regard. In so far as the advances by the Bank to this group are concerned, the Reserve Bank has ensured that suitable prepayment programme is fixed and the margin against the shares is raised from 30% to 40 %.

CAPITAL STRUCTURES OF INDIAN IRON AND STEEL CO. LTD. WEST BENGAL

5147. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU:
SHRI B. K. MODAK:
SHRI GANESH GHOSH:
SHRI BHAGAVAN DAS:
SHRI K. HALDER :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the share-holding and capital structure of the Indian Iron and Steel Co. Ltd., West Bengal;

(b) the names and description of shareholders and number and value of shares held by each category of shareholder; and

(c) what changes, if any, have taken place in the capital structure and shareholding of the Company since the merger of the Indian Iron with Steel Corporation of Bengal by an Act of Parliament in 1952 ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) The issued and subscribed capital of the company amount to Rs. 27,58,13,380/- represented by 2,48,81,798 equity shares of Rs. 10/- each and 2,69,954 preference shares of Rs. 100/- each.

(b) and (c). According to the distribution of shareholdings as on the 4th September, 1968 the total number of shareholders in the equity capital was 14,138 and the total number of equity shares 2,48,81,798 of Rs. 10/- each. The names of shareholders together with their holdings are contained in the Annual Returns which the company files with the Registrar of Companies, Calcutta. These returns are available for inspection under Section 610 of the Companies Act, 1956. The shares of the Company are quoted on Stock Exchanges and there had been frequent dealings in the shares since 1952. Compilation of the names of shareholders and their shareholdings together with changes therein during the last 17 years will involve considerable labour and time which will be disproportionate to the results to be achieved.

IMPACT OF UNIFORM PRICE OF CEMENT ON PRODUCERS

5148. SHRI P. GOPALAN :
SHRI K. RAMANI :
SHRI VISHWANATHA MENON :
SHRI P. RAMAMURTI :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the reason why a uniform price of Rs. 100/- was adopted for a period of 8-1/2 months only, as on decontrol from the 1st January, 1970 there will be no question of a uniform price in a decontrolled economy;

(b) whether the adoption of Rs. 100/- as a uniform price for all producers gives additional and undue benefit to producers in the higher to lowest tier which includes the big groups of ACC, Sahu Jains and Dalmias without reference to their cost of production; and

(c) if so, how much and Government's justifications therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) The attention of the Hon'ble Member is invited to the statement made by me in the Lok Sabha on the 14th April, 1969.

(b) Government are not aware of any undue benefit accruing to the producers by the adoption of the uniform price.

(c) Does not arise.

PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF CEMENT

5149. SHRI MOHAMMAD ISMAIL :
SHRI SATYA NARAIN SINGH :
SHRIMATI SUSEELA GOPALAN :
SHRI K. RAMANI :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the cement consumption in the country during the first six months of 1969 stood at 6.6 million tonnes without taking into account exports and that even during this period there were serious reports of shortage in the States of Assam, West Bengal, Bihar, U.P., Punjab and Haryana and that on this basis the demand for this year will be at least 14 million tonnes;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the ultimate capacity at the end of this year will be about 15.1 million tonnes only which can hardly yield at the best of conditions about 13.4 million tonnes;

(c) whether it is further a fact that the total clinker stock in all the factories in the country stood at 9.13 lakh tonnes at the end of July, 1969 which is 3 weeks production only;

(d) whether, on the basis of the above, the current year is bound to end in deficit; and

(e) if so, how far is the cement decontrol justified on the assumption that supply position is easy ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F.A. AHMED) : (a) Yes, Sir. Some shortages were reported in the areas mentioned. The demand is estimated at 13.5 million tonnes.

(b) No, Sir. The capacity is 15.38 million tons which may yield 13.52 million tons.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Marginal shortage is indicated.

(e) It is expected that these marginal shortages will be made good by the additional capacity expected to come up in the next few years.

मध्य प्रदेश में बिड़ला कागज मिलों से सम्बन्धित दस्तावेजों में हेर-फेर

5150. **श्री मधु लिमये :** क्या **औद्योगिक विकास, आंतरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय कार्य** मंत्री 18 नवंबर, 1969 के अतारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 343 के उत्तर के संबंध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या मध्य प्रदेश के सीधी के कलक्टर ने 4 सितम्बर, 1969 को दस्तावेजों से भरे 13 बोरे पकड़े हैं और यदि हां, तो इस मामले में क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ;

(ख) क्या बिड़ला बन्धुओं ने दस्तावेजों को वापस लेने के लिए न्यायालय में मुकदमा दर्ज कराया था तथा न्यायालय ने इस शर्त पर कि सीधी के कलक्टर ने दस्तावेजों की जांच करने के उद्देश्यों को प्रकट नहीं किया है तथा दस्तावेजों को वापस देने का आदेश दिया था;

(ग) क्या जिला न्यायाधीश, सीधी के न्यायालय में पुनर्विचार का मुकदमा दर्ज कराया गया है और यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने सीधी के कलक्टर को दस्तावेजों को जब्त करते समय उनकी जांच करने के उद्देश्य को प्रकट करने का आदेश किया है और यदि हां, तो वह आदेश किस प्रकार के हैं,

(घ) इस समय जब्त किये गये दस्तावेज किस प्राधिकारी के पास हैं; और

(ङ) वित्त मंत्रालय जब्त किये गये दस्तावेजों की जांच के लिए अपने अधिकार में क्या नहीं लेता ?

औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय कार्य मंत्री (श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद) : (क) से (ङ). मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने बताया है कि सीधी के कलेक्टर ने इस आरोप पर कि रिकार्डों को शहडोल ले जाया जा रहा है जहां उनके नष्ट किए जाने की सम्भावना है। ओरियेंट पेपर मिल्स लि०, अमलाइ के सीधी वन केन्द्र के कुछ रिकार्डों को 4-9-69 को जब्त कर लिया है। यह आरोप भी लगाया गया था कि उन रिकार्डों में अवैध रूप से गिराये गये पेड़ों के बारे में जानकारी दी गई थी। ओरियेंट पेपर मिल्स ने अतिरिक्त जिला मजिस्ट्रेट (जुडिसियल), सीधी के न्यायालय में रिकार्डों के जब्त किए जाने के खिलाफ 9-9-69 को एक आवेदन पत्र दाखिल किया उसी दिन, न्यायालय ने उन रिकार्डों को न्यायिक हिरासत में ले लेने का आदेश दे दिया और 10-10-69 को यह आदेश दिया गया कि जब्त किए हुए कागज-पत्रों को आवेदक को वापस कर दिया जाए। फिर भी राज्य की ओर मेरे अतिरिक्त जिला न्यायाधीश, सीधी की अदालत में एक रिविजन याचिका दायर की गई थी, इस न्यायालय ने आदेश दिया कि निचली अदालत के आदेश का कार्यान्वियन आगामी आदेशों तक निलम्बित रखा जाए फलतः जब्त किए हुए रिकार्ड न्यायिक हिरासत में ही रहें और मामला 23-12-69 तक स्थगित कर दिया जाए। इस मामले पर इस समय कोई कार्रवाई नहीं की जाएगी क्योंकि यह मामला न्यायालय में है।

EXPORT OF GROUNDNUT AND COTTON SEED CAKE

5151. SHRI R.K. BIRLA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the export tonnage of groundnut cake and cotton seed cake during the last three years, years-wise;

(d) whether it is a fact that the export tonnage of these cakes is on the decline and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that low production of oilseeds is responsible for the declined export of these cakes; and

(d) if so, the steps which are being taken to boost the production of oil seeds and export of these cakes ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a). Export of groundnut cakes and cottonseed cakes duting 1966-67 to 1968-69 are given below:—

	Quantity in '000' tonnes		
	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69
1. Solvent Extracted (defatted)oilcake and meal of groundnut ..	647	587	682
2. Oilcake and meal of Cotton seed (all varieties) ..	125	136	113
Total: 1 and 2	772	723	795

(b) Exports during 1967-68 declined but increased again in 1968-69. The fall was primarily due to high ocean freight and increased internal demand.

(c) Production and domestic consumption taken together play a key role in determining the level of exports.

(d) Production of major oilseeds is proposed to be increase to 10.5 million tonnes by the end of IV Plan. This target is proposed to be achieved by the adoption of intensive cultivation measures, increasing area under irrigation and increase in acreage under oilseed cultivation.

मध्य प्रदेश को स्टेनलेस स्टील का नियतन

5152. **श्री गं० च० दीक्षित** : क्या **वैदेशिक व्यापार** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1966–67, 1967-68 और 1968–69 में मध्य प्रदेश सरकार को कितना आयातित स्टेनलैस स्टील दिया गया था;

(ख) क्या मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने उक्त आयातित स्टेनलैस स्टील का वितरण कर दिया है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री राम सेवक): (क)से (ग). जानकारी एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

मध्य प्रदेश से रेशम के कपड़े का निर्यात

5153. **श्री गं० च० दीक्षित** : क्या **वैदेशिक व्यापार** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि वर्ष 1968-69 में मध्य प्रदेश में बने रेशम के कपड़े के निर्यात में वृद्धि हुई है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो कितने प्रतिशत;

(ग) उक्त कपड़े के मुख्य खरीदार कौन-कौन से देश हैं;

(घ) उन देशों को और अधिक रेशम के कपड़े का निर्यात करने के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की गई है; और

(ङ) इस सम्बन्ध में और अधिक विदेशी मंडियां ढूंढने के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री राम सेवक) : (क) तथा (ख). यद्यपि मध्य प्रदेश के सम्बन्ध में, जो देश में कुल टसर रेशम

के लगभग 45 प्रतिशत का उत्पादन करता है, अलग से निर्यात के आंकड़े उपलब्ध नहीं है, तथापि 1968-69 में 4.5 लाख वर्ग मीटर के अनुमानित निर्यातों की तुलना में मध्य प्रदेश से अप्रैल-नवम्बर, 1969 में 4 लाख वर्ग मीटर का निर्यात होने का अनुमान है।

(ग) स्वीडन, पश्चिम जर्मनी, जापान, अमेरिका तथा स्विट्जरलैंड ।

(घ) (1) भारतीय टसर रेशम माल की विद्यमान मांग का स्थानिक अध्ययन तथा साथ ही निर्यातों के बढ़ाने की भावी सम्भावनाओं का मूल्यांकन करने के लिये जनवरी 1968 में एक तीन सदस्यीय प्रतिनिधिमंडल अमेरिका, पश्चिम योरपीय देशों, जापान तथा हांगकांग को गया था।

(2) निर्यातित उत्पादों के गुण को बनाये रखना सुनिश्चित करने के लिये टसर रेशम माल के निर्यात के समय उसका अनिवार्य निरीक्षण किया जाता है।

(3) विदेशों में प्रभावी प्रचार के लिये, हथकरघा निर्यात संवर्धन परिषद् ने हथकरघा रेशम माल पर एक सुन्दर सूची प्रकाशित की है।

(ङ) भारतीय रेशमी माल के लिये एक समन्वित अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय प्रचार कार्यक्रम बनाने के लिये, केन्द्रीय रेशम बोर्ड ने एक समिति स्थापित की है ।

AID TO AFGHANISTAN, BHUTAN AND SIKKIM

5154. SHRI N.R. DEOGHARE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the amount of aid given by India to Afghanistan, Bhutan and Sikkim during the last two years ;

(b) the purposes for which aid was given; and

(c) whether all targets for which the aid was given have been achieved ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) The following is the value of aid given :

(Rs. lakhs)

	Afghanistan		Bhutan	Sikkim
	Colombo Plan	ITEC+ Programme		
1967-68	2·33	4·01	3·44	130
1968-69	4·89	12·00	4·27	143

(b) In the case of Sikkim and Bhutan aid is given for development purposes in the fields of agriculture, animal husbandry, education, health, forests, roads, communications, hydel power and cottage industries etc. In the case of Afghanistan aid has been provided for the building of a 100-bed Children's Hospital in Kabul, gift of agricultural equipment, training facilities in India for Afghan nationals and deputation of Indian experts to Afghanistan to assist in the economic development in that country.

(c) *Bhutan and Sikkim:* The yearly aid is part of the Five Year Development Plans of Sikkim and Bhutan. But for the setback these plans received during the floods of 1968 when tempo of development was somewhat slowed down, the progress had been satisfactory.

Afghanistan : Under the colombo Plan training was provided to 74 Afghan nationals in India and 17 experts had been deputed to Kabul. Under the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation Programme, agricultural machinery worth Rs. 1.7 lakhs was gifted in 1968-69. Work on the 100-bed Children's Hospital is progressing according to schedule. Training facilities to 16 Afghan nationals had been provided in India and 24 Indian experts had been deputed during the two years. (+ Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation Programme)

EXPENSES ON VISIT OF KHAN ABDUL GHAFFAR KHAN

5155. SHRI S. M. KRISHNA :
SHRI K. LAKKAPPA :
SHRI A. SREEDHARAN :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount spent by Government on the visit of Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan; and

(b) the head under which this amount has been spent ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) and (b). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House upon the conclusion of the visit.

INDIA'S PLEDGE ON KASHMIR

5156. SHRI R. BARUA :
SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY :
SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA :
SHRI N. R. DEOGHARE :
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA :
SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU :
SHRI N. R. LASKAR :
SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan has stated in press conference that India should keep her pledge on Kashmir;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and

(c) whether he has suggested certain steps to be taken in regard to present recrudescence of the communal riots ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) and (b). Government have seen press reports to this effect. Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan has, however, in a statement on October 15, 1969 clarified that his statement that "if promises have been made, they should be kept" was more an "affirmation of a universal truth" than any attempt on his part to delve into the political merits of the Kashmir issue.

(c) Government have seen some press reports of the views expressed by him on various subjects and share his concern over the feelings of disharmony and the resort to violence in some parts of the country.

RECOGNITION OF CENTRAL SERICULTURAL RESEARCH STATION NON-GAZETTED EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

5157. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the issue of recognition of Central Sericultural Research Station Non-Gazetted Employees' Association Berhampur, West Bengal is pending since 1966 although all the formalities as required under the Trade Union Act and other rules have been fulfilled; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) and (b). No, Sir. Request for recognition of the Central Sericultural Research Station Non-Gazetted Employees' Association Berhampur, West Bengal received from the Association in 1966 was considered by the Government and the Association was informed to apply in accordance with the procedure laid down in the booklet "Recognition of Unions under Code of Discipline" issued by Government after conditions laid down in the Code are satisfied. The question of recognition of the Association will, therefore, be considered further after the conditions laid down in the Code are satisfied.

TALKS WITH DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER OF G.D.R. ON DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION

5158. SHRI N. K. SOMANI :
SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA :
SHRI K. M. KOUSHIK :
SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM :
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA :
SHRI R. K. AMIN :
SHRI PILOO MODY :
SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA :
SHRI K. ANIRUDHAN :
SHRI HEM BARUA :
SHRI B. NARASIMHA RAO :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any move to give diplomatic recognition to the German Democratic Republic;

(b) whether there was any discussion in this regard with G.D.R. Deputy Prime Minister who was recently in New Delhi in connection with their 20th anniversary celebrations;

(c) whether any decision has been taken in this regard, and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SNGH) : (a) and (c). Government have on several occasions stated that relations between India and the German Democratic Republic are developing satisfactorily and that it is their desire to further strengthen them.

(b) No formal discussions were held with him regarding this matter.

(d) Does not arise.

PRIVATE BUILDINGS TAKEN ON RENT BY DEFENCE MINISTRY

5159. SHRI GADILINGANA GOWD : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 3425 on the 13th August, 1969 and state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Engineer-in-Chief's Branch is located in Kashmir House, New Delhi and it is on hire by Defence Organisation and the annual rent paid is abnormally high; and

(b) if so, the annual rental paid by Engineer-in-Chief's Branch to the party ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA) : (a) and (b). Engineer-in-Chief's Branch is located mainly in Kashmir House, New Delhi. The building is on hire by the Directorate of Estates, Ministry of Health & Family Planning and Works, Housing & Urban Development. The annual rent paid by them to the Government of Jammu & Kashmir is Rs. 64,200. This is not considered to be high. It was determined on the basis of 7% return on the insured value of the property, after allowing one month's reduction of rent for maintenance. On a request made by the State Government for upward revision of rent on the basis of the book value of the building, rental @ about Rs. 9,000 per month has been offered to them and their acceptance is awaited.

PURCHASE OF GOODS FROM M/S L.D. MALHOTRA & CO.

5160. SHRI BABURAO PATEL : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the designation of the Officer of the Directorate of Inspection, General Stores, Department of Defence Production involved in the case in which goods were supplied by M/s. L.D. Malhotra & Co. contrary to the provisons of the Army Act;

(b) the value of goods purchased by the Army during the last two years in which the above Officer was involved and the various companies involved in these transactions; and

(c) the steps taken against the Army Officer ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA) : (a) The designation of the officer is Deputy Director of Inspection (General Stores), Directorate General of Inspection, Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence, New Delhi.

(b) The Companies involved and the value of goods purchased from them are as under :—

1. M/s. Beejay Industries, New Delhi—Rs. 93,750 (Feb. 67 onwards).
2. M/s. L. D. Malhotra & Co., New Delhi—Rs. 1,18,440 (From Oct. 67 onwards).
3. M/s. Delhi Small Scale Industries, New Delhi—Rs. 54,27,395 (From 1963 onwards).

(c) S.P.E. recommended Court Martial against the officer in respect of his dealings with M/s. L. D. Malhotra & Co., New Delhi. The officer was reduced to his substantive rank of Lt. Col. during the period of enquiry. The Officer has since been fully exonerated in this case by the

Competent Authority. S.P.E. have submitted their final reports in respect of transanctions with other two firms and the matter is under examination in the Ministry of Defence.

INSTALLATION OF TOWER AND STATUES NEAR PALAM AIRPORT IN HONOUR OF BRIGADIER USMAN AND OTHERS

5161. SHRI ABDUL GHANI DAR : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to instal 500 feet high tower in honour of Brigadier Usman, Brigadier Muzaffar, Brigadier Hoshiar Singh, Havildar Abdul Hamid and General Daulat Singh, opposite Palam Airport and to instal their statue around the pillar; and

(b) if so, when ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

CALCUTTA REGIONAL OFFICE OF MINERALS AND METALS TRADING CORPORATION

5162. SHRI B. K. MODAK :
SHRI MUHAMMAD ISMAIL :
SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU :
SHRI BHAGABAN DAS :
SHRI K. HALDER :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the works carried on by the Calcutta Regional Office of the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation;

(b) the number of employees of each category under this Office;

(c) whether Government have decided to shift part of the Office to Barbil; if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether according to the employees' association (Calcutta region), this partial shifting of the Office from Calcutta will tell upon the employment potential of West Bengal and if so, whether Government have considered the opinion expressed by the association; and

(e) if so, the action being taken in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) The Calcutta Regional Office of the Minerals & Metals Trading Corporation deals with the following items of work :

(i) Import and distribution to actual users of metals imported by the Corporation *via* the Calcutta port.

(ii) Procurement and export of coal and manganese ore *via* the Calcutta port.

(iii) Procurement and despatch of iron ore and manganese ore from the Barajamda sector of Bihar/Orissa for Rourkela and Durgapur Steel Plants.

(iv) Procurement from the Barajamda sector and distribution of iron ore for export *via* Calcutta and Paradip ports.

(b) The number of employees under the Calcutta Regional Office, including those in the Sub-Regional Office at Nalda/Barbil is given below :—

Class I & II	23
Class III	387
Class IV	143
Barge Crew	37
Total	590

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e). Do not arise.

DEVELOPMENT OF MUZRAI INDUSTRIES IN MYSORE AND KERALA

5163. SHRI S. M. KRISHNA : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any scheme under consideration for the development of Muzrai Industries in Mysore and Kerala States;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the nature of assistance likely to be given to those States for the development of Muzrai Industries ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) to (c). There is no specific scheme for development of Muzrai industries in Mysore ad Kerala States. However, there is a scheme for the duplication of 139 Bhootha icons at Mekkikattu village,

South Kanara District in Mysore State. Out of the 139 icons, 65 images have so far been duplicated.

LICENCE TO M/S. PHILIPS AND COMPANY FOR MANUFACTURE OF AMPLIFIERS

5164. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether M/S. Philips and Company have a licence for manufacturing amplifiers at their Calcutta factory;

(b) whether it is a fact that though the returns in this respect are submitted from the Company's Calcutta office, the manufacture is actually being done at the PELA factory, Bombay;

(c) whether this amounts to a breach of the licensing regulations; and

(d) if so, the action taken in the matter ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M. R. KRISHNA) : (a) to (d). M/s. Philips who have an industrial licence for the manufacture of 3600 amplifiers per annum at their Calcutta factory, are submitting production returns indicating production of this item in their Calcutta factory. The question whether these amplifiers are being produced in their Calcutta factory or elsewhere is being investigated.

INCREASE IN STATES' OUTLAY FOR FOURTH FIVE YEAR PLAN

5165. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that as a result of the discussions held between the Chief Ministers and the Planning Commission, the outlay on States' Fourth Plans may go up by 10 to 15 per cent;

(b) whether any firm decision has been taken in this regard; and

(c) if so, the increase that is likely to be effected on the outlay of the States, Statewise ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) to (c). The discussions with the State Governments have not yet been completed. However, the States' Fourth Plan outlay is likely to be higher than that indicated in the Draft Outline.

PROBE INTO CONFERRING OF PADMA VIBHUSHAN ON SHRI MODI

5166. SHRI MADHU LIMAYE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether she has received a reminder from a Member of Parliament on the 4th October, 1969 which contains reference to the need for probe into the conferring of Padma Vibhushan on Shri Modi on the recommendation of the Industrial Development Minister; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir; the Hon'ble Member is presumably referring to his own letter to Prime Minister to which a reply has been sent by the latter.

ALLOCATION OF QUOTA OF RAW FILMS

5167. SHRI JUGAL MONDAL : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 8221 on the 30th April, 1969 and state :

(a) whether the required information regarding allocation of quota of raw films has since been collected; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-1505/69].

ADDITIONAL LICENSING CAPACITY

5168. SHRI HIMATSINGKA : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether in order to increase exports, Government have decided to license additional capacity in 12 or more selected industries;

(b) if so, the details of the decision, indicating the extent of capacity to be raised in each industry; and

(c) the steps taken in pursuance of the said decision ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) to (c). Attention of the Hon'ble Member is drawn to an almost similar Starred Question No. 66 answered by the Minister of Foreign Trade in the Lok Sabha on 19-11-1969.

ब्रिटिश ब्राडकास्टिंग कारपोरेशन से अहमदाबाद के दंगों के बारे में प्रसारण

5169. **श्री शशि भूषण** : क्या **वैदेशिक-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि ब्रिटिश ब्राडकास्टिंग कारपोरेशन द्वारा अहमदाबाद के बारे में बढ़ा-चढ़ा कर खबरें प्रसारित किये जाने और उनका सम्बन्ध रबात सम्मेलन में भारत के भाग लेने से जोड़े जाने और इस प्रकार भारत-विरोधी प्रचार करने के सम्बन्ध में सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : बी०बी०सी० ने अहमदाबाद के दंगों और रबात सम्मेलन के प्रचार को जो रूप दिया है, उससे सरकार अवगत है। इस मामले में, जैसा कि इस प्रकार के अन्य सभी मामलों में होता है, प्रचार एवं जन-सम्पर्क संगठनों और सरकारी अधिकारियों ने हमेशा निगरानी रखी है और इसे प्रभावहीन कर देने के उपयुक्त उपाय किए हैं।

फिल्म उद्योग को विदेशी मुद्रा दिया जाना

5170. **श्री वाल्मीकी चौधरी** : क्या **वैदेशिक व्यापार** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) फिल्म तैयार करने के लिये विदेशों से कच्ची फिल्मों तथा अन्य उपकरणों का आयात करने के लिये वर्ष 1967-68 तथा 1969 में भारतीय फिल्म उद्योग को कितनी विदेशी मुद्रा मंजूर की गई; और

(ख) उपरोक्त वर्षों में इस उद्योग द्वारा कितनी विदेशी मुद्रा अर्जित की गई ?

वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री राम सेवक) : (क) विगत तीन वर्षों में बिना खिंची सिनेमा फिल्मों और उपकरणों का आयात निम्नलिखित रहा :

(मूल्य लाख रु० में)

अवधि	(अवमूल्यन पश्चात् की दर) मूल्य
1967-68	416.79
1968-69	373.30
1969-70 (अगस्त '69 तक)	264.83

(ख) उपरोक्त वर्षों में खिंची हुए सिनेमा फिल्मों के निर्यात निम्नलिखित थे :

(मूल्य लाख रु० में)

अवधि	(अवमूल्यन पश्चात् की दरें) मूल्य
1967-68	389.04
1968-69	295.02
1969-70 (अगस्त '69 तक)	139.57

EMPLOYMENT-ORIENTED PLANS

5171. SHRI R. K. BIRLA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Planning Commission has urged upon the Central Government, State Governments and Union Territories to ensure that detailed programme be formulated within the framework of the Fourth Plan should be employment-oriented;

(b) if so, whether the Planning Commission has forwarded any guide-lines in this respect ; if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry of Labour and Employment were consulted by the Commission in this matter; and

(d) what is the response from the State Governments and Union Territories to the Planning Commission's proposals ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) to (d). In order to give a fillip to the generation of employment opportunities in the Fourth Plan, the Planning Commission convened a meeting with the Ministry of Labour and Employment and other concerned Central Ministries in July, 1969. In the light of suggestions made in that meeting, Planning Commission addressed the Central and State Governments/Union Territories to ensure that the detailed programmes to be formulated under their sectors in the Fourth Plan are as far as possible employment-oriented. They were also advised to take effective steps to remove any restrictive policies which prevent growth of employment, to lay emphasis on the promotion of medium and small industries and on adoption of appropriate labour intensive technology. Replies have been received from some State Governments/ Union Territories which indicate that these broad guidelines are being kept in view for formulation of the Fourth Plan proposals and for future guidance.

चलचित्रों तथा चलचित्र गीतों के रिकार्डों के निर्यात में कमी

5172. **श्री रघुवीर सिंह शास्त्री** : क्या **वैदेशिक व्यापार** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 1968–69 में चलचित्रों तथा चलचित्र गीतों के रिकार्डों के निर्यात में जो कमी हुई है वह 1964–65 में हुई कमी से भी अधिक है, हालांकि उनके चोरी छिपे निर्यात में बहुत अधिक वृद्धि हुई है;

(ख) इस सम्बन्ध में गत तीन वर्षों के आंकड़ों का ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) निर्यात में कमी होने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(घ) निर्यात बढ़ाने और तस्करी को रोकने के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री राम सेवक) : (क) जी हां। निर्यात कम हुए हैं और संविदाओं से बाहर के कुछ विदेशी प्रदेशों में फिल्मों के चोरी-छिपे प्रदर्शन के निरन्तर समाचार मिल रहे हैं।

(ख) एक विवरण संलग्न है।

(ग) निर्यातों में कमी के निम्नांकित कारण हैं :—

(1) केन्या, तंजानिया और घाना आदि कुछ पूर्वी अफ्रीकी देशों और श्रीलंका तथा बर्मा द्वारा फिल्मों के आयात पर लगाये गये अधिकाधिक प्रतिबन्ध।

(2) अप्रैल-जून, 1968 में बम्बई में फिल्म उद्योग पर आये संकट के परिणामस्वरूप हिन्दी चलचित्रों (जिनसे 75 प्रतिशत निर्यात आय होती है) के उत्पादन में गिरावट।

(घ) निर्यातों को बढ़ाने के लिये किये गये प्रमुख उपाय ये हैं : अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय फिल्म मेलों में भाग लेना, विदेशों में भारतीय फिल्म सप्ताहों का आयोजन, भारतीय चलचित्र निर्यात निगम द्वारा फिल्मों के भाषान्तर संकेत का संयंत्र लगाया जाना, भारतीय फिल्मों के निर्यात संवर्धन के लिये राज्य व्यापार निगम के विदेशी और सादा तथा रंगीन फिल्मों के आयात के लिये आयात प्रतिपूर्ति का दिया जाना।

फिल्मों की तस्करी को रोकने के लिये किये गये उपाय ये हैं : विश्वसनीय गुप्तचरों और विशिष्ट स्रोतों से सूचना एकत्रित करना, यात्रियों के माल पर निगरानी रखना, और सड़कों, तट तथा अन्य वेध्य क्षेत्रों और समुद्र पर गश्त ।

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फिल्मों और फिल्मों के रिकार्डों के निर्यात में कमी

फिल्म वर्ष	परिमाण हजार मीटर में	मूल्य हजार रु० में (अवमूल्यन पश्चात् की दर से)
1966-67	4,385	15,213
1967-68	10,077	38,904
1968-69	6,830	29,502
1969-70 (अगस्त' 69 तक)	3,466	13,957
ग्रामोफोन रिकार्ड		
1966-67	989	4,159
1967-68	622	3,369
1968-69	508	2,805
1969-70 (अगस्त '69 तक)	283	1,684

नागालैंड में पत्रकार की गिरफ्तारी

5173. **श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी** : क्या **वैदेशिक-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि नागालैंड सरकार ने हाल में एक पत्रकार श्री हरीश चन्डोला को जब वे वहां किसी निजी कार्य से गये, गिरफ्तार कर लिया था;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि उनके मंत्रालय ने नागालैंड सरकार को दो तार भेजे थे जिनमें वहां जाने के लिये उक्त पत्रकार द्वारा प्रार्थना किये जाने पर उन्हें वहां जाने की अनुमति देने का उनसे अनुरोध किया गया था;

(ग) यदि हां, तो नागालैंड सरकार की उक्त कार्यवाही के क्या कारण हैं ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : (क) श्री चंदोला को बिना परमिट के आन्तरिक रेखा पार करने पर 3 जनवरी, 1969 को गिरफ्तार कर लिया गया था ।

(ख) से (घ). श्री चंदोला के अनुरोध पर, उनकी नागालैंड-यात्रा की योजना की सूचना नागालैंड सरकार को दी गई थी । उन्हें यह सलाह दी गई थी कि आन्तरिक रेखा पार करने के लिये स्थानीय प्राधिकारियों से वे परमिट प्राप्त करें, किन्तु उन्होंने ऐसा नहीं किया । अत: बंगाल ईस्टर्न फ्रंटियर रेगुलेशनस, 1873 के अन्तर्गत उन पर मुकदमा चलाया गया और उन्हें कोहिमा छोड़ देने का आदेश दे दिया गया । बाद में उन्होंने उच्च न्यायालय में एक रिट याचिका पेश की, जिसे बाद में उन्होंने वापस ले लिया । उन्होंने स्थानीय प्राधिकारियों को इस बात का स्पष्टीकरण दिया कि उनका कानून या नियम का उल्लंघन करने का कोई उद्देश्य नहीं था और अगर उन्होंने अनजाने में ऐसा किया है तो इसके लिए उन्हें खेद है । इस स्पष्टीकरण की प्राप्ति के बाद, अपर जिला मजिस्ट्रेट कोहिमा के न्यायालय में उनके विरुद्ध जो मामला विचाराधीन था, वह वापस ले लिया गया ।

पाकिस्तानी पत्रकार को ख़ान अब्दुल गफ्फार खां के भारत के दौरे के बारे में समाचार भेजने की अनुमति

5174. **श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय** : क्या **वैदेशिक-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने एक पाकिस्तानी पत्रकार को ख़ान अब्दुल गफ्फार खां के भारत में ठहरने के बारे में समाचार भेजने की अनुमति दी है;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि उक्त पत्रकार पाकिस्तान के केन्द्रीय खुफिया विभाग का एक अधिकारी है तथा गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय ने इस

प्रयोजन के लिये उस पत्रकार को अनुमति देने का विरोध किया था;

(ग) क्या सरकार को आशंका है कि वह पाकिस्तान पहुंचने पर अहमदाबाद के साम्प्रदायिक दंगे के बारे में बढ़ा-चढ़ा कर समाचार प्रकाशित होगा;

(घ) क्या सरकार ने उक्त पत्रकार को खान अब्दुल गफ्फार खां के साथ अहमदाबाद जाने की भी अनुमति दी थी; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो इस सम्बन्ध में सरकार का क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : (क) जी हां। खान अब्दुल गफ्फार खां की यात्रा की खबरें भेजने के लिए पेशावर के 'खैबर-मेल' के सम्पादक श्री अस्कर अली शाह ने भारत की यात्रा की थी।

(ख) सरकार के पास इस प्रकार की सूचना नहीं है। गृह मंत्रालय से परामर्श लिया गया था।

(ग) आगन्तुक पत्रकारों से यह उम्मीद की जाती है कि वे तात्त्विक रिपोर्टें देंगे।

(घ) जी हां।

(ङ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Distribution of offensive Literature by Israeli Representative in Bombay

5175. SHRI ABDUL GHANI DAR : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Israeli representative in Bombay is distributing damaging literature against Arab countries; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) and (b). The Consul of Israel, as all representatives of other foreign countries, is entitled to issue press releases and other publicity material subject to the internationally accepted convention that such material should not be critical of other countries with whom the host country has friendly relations. On some occasions, the press releases of the Israeli Consulate in Bombay have contravened these norms and they have been asked to desist from such violations.

Assistance given to Shri Mascarenhas

5176. SHRI N.K. SOMANI:
SHRI S.K. TAPURIAH :
Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any kind of assistance has been given to Shri Mascarenhas the Goa freedom fighter, during the last one year; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) and (b). It will be appreciated that direct assistance to Dr. Mascarenhas who is in prison in Portugal has not been within the realm of practicality for us. But all possible efforts are being made to secure his release at the earliest date.

Presentation of a Dagger to Al Fatah Delegation

5177. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Al Fatah delegation was presented with a copy of holy Quaran and a dagger at Patna by some people of Bihar during their visit to that place;

(b) whether Government consider such a presentation to a militant and religious delegation in keeping with the secular and non-violent policies of Government ; and

(c) if not, whether steps were taken by Government to stop such presentation ?

THE DEEUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Government have no knowledge of such a presentation.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

नागाओं द्वारा हथियारों सहित आत्म-समर्पण

5178. **श्री शारदा नन्द :**
श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :
श्री श्रीचन्द गोयल :
श्री आ० सुन्दर लाल :
श्री बलराज मधोक :

क्या **वैदेशिक-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सितम्बर, 1964 में शान्ति समझौता होने के बाद से अब तक नागालैंड में कितने विद्रोही नागाओं ने हथियारों सहित आत्मसमर्पण किया है;

(ख) उक्त अवधि में कितने विद्रोही नागा पकड़े गए हैं;

(ग) इन नागाओं ने उक्त अवधि में कितनी बार शान्ति समझौते का उल्लंघन किया है;

(घ) उनके द्वारा उक्त अवधि में कितनी राजनैतिक हत्याएं की गईं; और

(ङ) भविष्य में उनके विरुद्ध सरकार का क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : (क) जिन छिपे नागाओं ने अपने हथियारों समेत अथवा हथियारों के बिना सुरक्षा बल के समक्ष आत्म-समर्पण किया है उनकी कुल संख्या 2371 है । हथियारों के साथ आत्म-समर्पण करने वालों के अलग से आंकड़े सुलभ नहीं हैं।

(ख) सुरक्षा दल द्वारा पकड़े गए छिपे नागाओं की संख्या 2585 है ।

(ग) छिपे नागाओं ने कार्रवाई स्थगन प्रस्ताव का कई बार उल्लंघन किया है ।

(घ) छिपे नागाओं ने करीब 50 राजनीतिक हत्याएं की हैं।

(ङ) सरकार का विचार कानून को न मानने वाले ऐसे तत्वों के साथ सख्ती से पेश आने का है जो राज्य की शांति भंग करने और प्रगति में रोड़ा अटकाने पर कटिबद्ध हैं।

बर्मा से विद्रोही नागाओं का भारत में प्रवेश

5179. **श्री रामावतार शर्मा :**
श्री शिव कुमार शास्त्री :

क्या **वैदेशिक-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बर्मा से प्रवेश करने वाले लगभग 150 विद्रोही नागाओं के पास चीनी स्वचालित हथियार थे;

(ख) क्या सरकार ने ऐसे व्यक्तियों के प्रवेश पर प्रतिबन्ध लगाने के लिए बर्मा सरकार से कोई बातचीत की है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो ऐसे व्यक्तियों के प्रवेश को रोकने के लिए क्या कार्यवाही करने का सरकार का विचार है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : (क) गत मार्च में, चीनी हथियारों और गोला-बारूदों के साथ मोबू अंगामी और आइजक स्वू के जिन दलों ने भारत में प्रवेश किया था, उनके बाद

बर्मा होकर अस्त्रों की कोई और खेप भारत में नहीं आई है ।

(ख), (ग) और (घ) बर्मी प्रदेश से होकर विद्रोही नागाओं के भारत में प्रवेश को रोकने से सम्बद्ध उपायों पर दोनों सरकारों के बीच सम्पर्क है ।

आत्मसमर्पण करने वाले नागाओं को पुलिस सेना में रोजगार देने का प्रस्ताव

5180. **श्री रामावतार शर्मा :**
श्री शिव कुमार शास्त्री :

क्या **वैदेशिक-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि कुछ छिपे नागाओं ने सरकार को आत्म-समर्पण किया है;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इन नागाओं को यह आश्वासन दिया गया है कि छिपे नागाओं की सेना में उनके स्तर को ध्यान में रखा जाएगा ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि उन्हें पुलिस अथवा सेना में रोजगार देने का विचार है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो क्या ऐसे लोगों से सुरक्षा तथा कानून और व्यवस्था कायम करने की आशा की जा सकती है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) उन्हें किसी प्रकार का ऐसा आश्वासन नहीं दिया गया है कि छिपे नागाओं को तथाकथित सेना में उनके दर्जे को ध्यान में रखा जाएगा ।

(ग) और (घ) उपर्युक्त जांच के बाद उन योग्य व्यक्तियों को पुलिस और सेना में रखने पर विचार किया जाएगा, जिनसे यह आशंका न हो कि उनसे सुरक्षा में किसी प्रकार का खतरा होगा ।

CONSTRUCTION OF BORDER ROADS

5181. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to states :

(a) the total length of border roads so far constructed by the border Roads Development Board and how much is under construction;

(b) what length of border roads are to be completed in Himachal Pradesh during the Fourth Five Year Plan, and what points these roads would connect;

(c) whether the work of the construction of border roads is proceeding according to the targets laid and which of the works have not been completed to schedule and the reasons thereof; and

(d) what steps have been taken to ensure speedy and timely completion of the projects ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L.N. MISHRA) : (a) The immediate programme of the Border Roads Development Board includes the construction of about 7,320 Km of new roads and improvement of about 4,968 Km of existing routes/tracks. The progress achieved upto the end of October 1969 is as under :—

	Width		
	20ft	16 ft.	8 ft.
	Km	Km.	Km.
Construction of new roads	4,571	480	270
Improvement of existing routes/ tracks	3,800	(assessed).	

(b) The programme of Border Roads Development Board is outside the Five Year Plans. However, the immediate programme of Border Roads Development Board includes construction of about 730 Km of new roads and improvement of about 690 Km of existing route/tracks in Himachal Pradesh. It would not be desirable to give details of terminal points of the roads.

(c) Taking into account the available resources and inherent limitations like restricted construction season, constant use of the roads even when works are proceeding, the progress of work of the whole has been satisfactory.

(d) Progress of works is reviewed periodically. In the case of projects entrusted to General Reserve Engineer Force, additional resources are inducted when works need to be speeded up. Where P.W.D. are unable to complete a road by the date required, and GREF are in a position to achieve the target earlier, the agency of work is changed.

EXPORT OF HARD COKE TO WEST GERMANY BY MINERALS AND METALS TRADING CORPORATION

5182. SHRI HIMATSINGKA :
SHRI P.C. ADICHAN :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether west Germany has lately placed orders with the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation for import of Indian hard coke;

(b) if so, the quantity of hard coke to be exported to that country; and

(c) the cost and other terms of the contract ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The MMTC have concluded contracts with two West German firms for export of 1,50,000 tons (plus/minus 10%) of B.P. hard coke valued at around Rs. 2 crores. Supplies against these contracts would commence in December, 1969 and the exports are likely to be completed by March, 1971.

EXPORT OF FERRO-MANGANESE

5183. SHRI MAHENDRA MAJHI
SHRI V. NARSIMHA RAO:
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA:
SHRI D. N. DEB:

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of prices and quantity of export of ferro-manganese from India to various countries during the last six months and

(b) whether some difficulties have recently arisen in the export of ferro-manganese and if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) 81,483 tonnes of ferro-manganese valued at Rs. 5·52 crores have been exported to various countries during June to November, 1969. Some of the important destinations are Japan, U.S.A. Sweden, Yugoslavia, Rumania and Italy. The F.O.B. realisation has varied between U.S. £82·9 to 124·2 per tonne.

(b) no difficulty has arisen recently in the export of ferro-manganese.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNED FROM AGARBATTI TRADE

5184. SHRI J.K. CHOUDHURY : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the approximate foreign exchange earned from the Agarbatti trade;

(b) the names of the countries to which Agarbatti is exported; and

(c) the facilities which are likely to be given to this industry for earning more foreign exchange ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) & (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House (*Placed in library See No. 27—2506/69*).

(c) Import Replenishment at the rate of 20% of the F.O.B. value is allowed against export of Agarbatti.

TECHNIQUE FOR AVAILABILITY OF TEA LEAVES THROUGHOUT YEAR

5185. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Tocklai Experimental Station has evolved any New technique for getting ten leaves throughout the year;

(b) whether the said technique has been made available to the Tea Estates in Assam and West Bengal and if so, with what results; and

(c) the increase in the yield of tea per acre anticipated and its effect on its price in the local as well as foreign markets ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) Experiments at Tocklai Experimental Station have indicated that winter dormancy of tea in North East India can be broken by exposing tea bushes to artificial light during the night. The technique is still in an experimental state.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

CABLE FACTORY IN KUWAIT WITH INDIAN COLLABORATION

5186. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) Whether the proposal to set up a cable factory in Kuwait by a Consortium of Indian manufacturers on a turn-key basis has been pursued;

(b) if so, the further progress made, how far the proposal has matured and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of the collaboration involved and as to when the factory is likely to be set up ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) Government are not aware of any such proposal having been submitted by a Consortium of Indian manufacturers.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

लिक कारतूसों के लिए टेंडर

5187. **श्री शारदा नन्द :**
श्री श्रीचन्द गोयल :
श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :
श्री ला० सुन्दर लाल :

क्या पूर्ति मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने वित्तीय वर्ष 1968-69 तथा 1969-70 में लगभग 50 लाख रुपये मूल्य के लिक कारतूसों के लिये खुले टेंडर मांगे थे और यदि हां, तो किन-किन फर्मों ने टेंडर दिये थे;

(ख) जिस कम्पनी का टेंडर मंजूर किया गया उसका नाम, रजिस्ट्रेशन संख्या क्या है तथा उसे कितनी राशि के आदेश दिये गये हैं और उपरोक्त फर्म को इस लाईन में कितने वर्षों का अनुभव प्राप्त है ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि उपरोक्त फर्म रजिस्टर्ड नहीं है और यदि हां तो इस फर्म ने जमानत के रूप में कितनी राशि जमा की है;

(घ) क्या यह भी सच है कि केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो इस फर्म के विरुद्ध जांच कर रहा है और इस फर्म के खिलाफ कई मामले न्यायालय में विचाराधीन हैं; और

(ङ) उनके मंत्रालय द्वारा उपरोक्त फर्म को पहले किन किन तारीखों को ठेके दिये गये थे ?

पूर्ति मंत्री तथा वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य-मंत्री (श्री र० के० खाडिलकर) : (क) 42 लाख रुपये के मूल्य के लिक-कारतूसों की सप्लाई के लिये जो पूछ-ताछ की गई थी, उस सम्बन्ध में निम्नलिखित फर्मों ने अपने टेंडर भेजे थे :—

(1) मैसर्स हरबन्स लाल प्रेम कुमार, दिल्ली

(2) मैसर्स स्टम्प शूले एण्ड सोमाप्पा, बंगलोर

(3) मैसर्स पर्ल साइकिल इण्डस्ट्रीज, नई दिल्ली

(4) मैसर्स पंज एण्ड सन्स, नई दिल्ली

(5) मैसर्स हिन्दुस्तान मोनार्क प्राइवेट लिमिटेड, नई दिल्ली

(ख) लिक-कारतूसों की सप्लाई के लिये 3 जून 1969 को 41.60 लाख रुपये के मूल्य का आदेश मैसर्स पर्ल साइकिल इण्डस्ट्रीज को दिया गया था । इस फर्म को सन् 1966 से पूर्ति और निपटान महानिदेशालय के ठेकों के सम्बन्ध में इस मद का निर्माण करने का अनुभव प्राप्त था ।

(ग) यह फर्म पूर्ति और निपटान महानिदेशालय में रजिस्टर्ड नहीं है । परन्तु यह फर्म विभिन्न असैनिक (सिविल) आयुध सम्बन्धी मदों का जिसमें लिंक-कारतूस भी शामिल हैं, सप्लाई करती रही है । इस लिये इस फर्म से जमानत जमा के रूप में कोई राशि नहीं ली गई थी, और वह फर्म निविदा स्वीकृति में दी गई वितरण-अनुसूची के अनुसार पहले ही सप्लाई पूरी कर चुकी है ।

(घ) इस बारे में पूर्ति मंत्रालय को कुछ ज्ञात नहीं है ।

(ङ) पूर्ति और निपटान महानिदेशालय द्वारा जुलाई, 1963 से जून 1969 तक इस फर्म को विभिन्न मदों के 22 ठेके दिए गए थे, जिनका ब्योरा नीचे दिया गया है :—

क्रम संख्या	तारीख	सामान
1.	30-7-63	टेल यूनिट संख्या 4
2.	19-8-63	बेस प्लग, स्ट्राइकर लीवर, फिलिंग होल प्लग
3.	31-8-63	सेट-73 एम० एम०
4.	10-6-64	बाक्स-एच०/ए०
5.	16-2-65	चार्जर एम्यूनिशन
6.	16-10-65	टेल यूनिट संख्या 4
7.	31-1-66	स्ट्राइकर लीवर
8.	4-3-66	लिंक्स
9.	25-5-66	चार्जर
10.	26-11-66	चार्जर
11.	26-12-66	स्ट्राइकर लीवर
12.	28-2-67	डी० लिंक
13.	24-8-67	बाक्स-एच०/बी०
14.	30-8-67	लिंक्स
15	31-8-67	फिलर मेगाजीन 1ए
16.	29-4-67	बेस प्लग
17.	10-10-67	चार्जर
18.	27-11-67	चार्जर
19.	7-12-67	टेल यूनिट संख्या 4
20.	1-2-68	लिंक्स
21.	27-7-68	लिंक्स
22.	3-6-69	लिंक्स

रायल एयर फोर्स के अधिकारियों द्वारा आन्ध्र की पहाड़ी वन जातियों का सामाजिक अध्ययन

5188. **श्री शारदानन्द :**
श्री सूरज भान :
श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी :
श्री रामगोपाल शालबाले :
श्री यशवन्त शर्मा :
श्री ब्रज भूषण लाल :
श्री जगन्नाथ राव जोशी :

क्या **वैदेशिक-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि ग्रेट ब्रिटेन की रायल एयर फोर्स के पांच अधिकारियों को आंध्र प्रदेश में सेशाचलम की पहाड़ियों में रहने वाले गोंड वनजाति का सामाजिक अध्ययन करने की अनुमति दे दी गई है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो रायल एयर फोर्स के अधिकारियों द्वारा एसेस अध्ययन क्यों जरूरी था;

(ग) किस आधार पर अनुमति दी गई है; और

(घ) उक्त अध्ययन तथा उससे प्राप्त हुए परिणामों का पूर्ण विवरण क्या है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : (क) से (ग). समाजशास्त्रीय के लिए अनुरोध करते हुए यूनाइटेड किंगडम के प्राधिकारियों ने बताया कि उनका उद्देश्य उन इलाकों के देहाती जीवन का अनुभव प्राप्त करना है, जो इलाका अधिक से अधिक इसका प्रतिनिधित्व करता है इस इलाके में सुरक्षा अधिष्ठापन नहीं थे । वास्तविकता यह है कि इन अधिकारियों ने दस दिन के बाद अपनी यात्रा बीच में ही छोड़ दी, जब इनमें से एक अधिकारी को पेड़ से गिर जाने के कारण चोट आ गई ।

IMPORT OF ROUGH DIAMONDS FROM EAST GERMANY

5189. SHRI BHARAT SINGH CHAUHAN : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have entered into a trade agreement with the East German Government for importing rough diamonds from East Germany;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether this agreement will have any adverse effect on Indian diamond mines ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) and (b) During trade talks held in New Delhi in December, 1968, the visiting G.D.R. Trade team offerd to supply Rough Diamonds to India. But uptil now, no import has been effected by any Indian party.

(c) Does not arise.

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में मुख्य प्रशासनिक अधिकारी के कार्यालय में काम कर रहे अधीक्षकों के विरुद्ध अस्पृश्यता का व्यवहार करने की शिकायतें

5190. **श्री नारायण स्वरूप शर्मा :**
श्री प० मु० सईद :

क्या **प्रतिरक्षा** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उनके मंत्रालय के मुख्य प्रशासनिक अधिकारी के कार्यालय में अनुमानवार कितने अधीक्षक हैं तथा प्रत्येक अधीक्षक इस पद पर किस तारीख से काम कर रहा है;

(ख) उस कार्यालय में अधीक्षकों के विरुद्ध इस आशय की कितनी शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं कि वे अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित आदिम जातियों के कर्मचारियों के साथ अपने व्यवहार में छुआ छूत की भावना रखते हैं;

(ग) क्या इन अधीक्षकों के विरुद्ध सरकार ने उचित कार्यवाही की है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो क्या और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री स० ना० मिश्र) : (क) सूचना विवरण में दी गई है । जो सभा पटल पर रखा गया है । **[ग्रन्थालय में रखा गया । देखिए** संख्या LT-2507/29] ।

(ख), (ग) तथा (घ). मुख्य प्रशासनिक अफसर के कार्यालय के किसी सुपरिन्टेंडेंट के विरुद्ध ऐसी कोई शिकायत प्राप्त नहीं हुई । तदपि, एक सुपरिन्टेंडेंट के मामले में सेना मुख्यालयों में एक अनुसूचित जाति कर्मचारी से एक शिकायत प्राप्त हुई थी कि सुपरिन्टेंडेंट अपने अधीनस्थों के प्रति अस्पृश्यता के भाव रखता था । जांच पर पता चला कि उस शिकायत में कोई तथ्य न था। इस सम्बन्ध में और अभिवेदन निरीक्षण अधीन हैं । जांच पर वायुसेना मुख्यालयों के एक सुपरिन्टेंडेंट के विरुद्ध एक और शिकायत निराधार पाई गई थी ।

अस्पृश्यता बरतने के लिए प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में राजपत्रित अधिकारियों के विरुद्ध शिकायतें

5191. **श्री नारायण स्वरूप शर्मा** : क्या **प्रतिरक्षा** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उनके मंत्रालय तथा उससे सम्बद्ध और अधीनस्थ कार्यालयों में काम कर रहे उन राजपत्रित अधिकारियों के नाम क्या हैं जिनके विरुद्ध ऐसी शिकायतें आई हैं कि वे अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित आदिम जातियों के सदस्यों के साथ व्यवहार में अस्पृश्यता बरतते हैं;

(ख) क्या सरकार ने अस्पृश्यता का उन्मूलन करने के लिए, अस्पृश्यता बरतने वाले इन राजपत्रित अधिकारियों के विरुद्ध कार्यवाही करने का निर्णय लिया है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस मामले में क्या निर्णय लिया गया है; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री म० ना० मिश्र) : (क) से (घ). सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है जो सभा के पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Settlement of Ex-Servicemen in Nagaland

5192. SHRI NARAIN SWARUP SHARMA :
SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL :
SHRI OM PRAKASH TYAGI :
SHRI RANJEET SINGH :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a scheme to allot land for settlement of ex-Servicemen in Nagaland;

(b) whether any such land has already been allotted;

(c) if so, the area of such land and the number of servicemen who have been settled on it; and

(d) the smallest unit allotted to a person and the area of the largest unit ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.R. KRISHNA) : (a) and (b). No. Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Maulana Syed Abdul Hasan Nadvi's Address at Rabat Conference

5193. SHRI RAM SWARUP VIDYARTHI :
SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA :
SHRI PRAKASH VIR SHASTRI:
SHRI RAM SINGH AYARWAL :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the names and address of the persons, other than the members of the Indian Government delegation who attended the Rabat Conference;

(b) whether it is a fact that Maulana Syed Abdul Hasan All Nadvi also attended the Rabat Conference on behalf of the Muslim community of India;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to lay a copy of his speeches which he made in that conference on the Table;

(d) who invited Shri Nadvi to attend this conference; and

(e) who applied for permission from Government to attend the above conference and how many of them were given permission by Government to attend it ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) No Indians other than the members of the official Indian delegation attended the Rabat Conference.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) to (e). Do not arise.

Countries Seeking Indian Co-operation for China's Admission to U.N.O.

5194. SHRI GADILINGANA GOWD : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of countries have sought Indian's cooperation in their efforts to secure China's admission to the U.N.O.; and

(b) if so, the names of those countries and the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

INCREASE IN DEFENCE EXPENDITURE OF PAKISTAN

5195. SHRI R. BARUA :
SHRI MAYAVAN :
SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU :
SHRI N.R. LASKAR :
SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK :
SHRI DHANDAPANI :

Will the MINISTER OF DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the data disclosed in the latest issue of the annual publication, "The Military Balance, 1969-70", issued by the Institute of Strategic Studies in London in which it has been stated that Pakistan's defence expenditure has increased by 5 per-cent;

(b) if so, whether they have also stated that India's expenditure on defence is less than that of Pakistan;

(c) if so, whether the increasing of expenditure on Defence by Pakistan will be a great threat to India; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken to meet the threat ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L.N. MISHRA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to "The Military Balance, 1969-70", Pakistan's per capita defence expenditure and percentage of defence expenditure to Gross National Product are higher than that of India.

(c) and (d). Government are alive to the situation created by the Pakistani military build up and suitable and necessary steps are being taken.

U.S.-U.S.S.R. AGREEMENT TO BAN USE OF NUCLEAR ARMS IN SEA BED

5196. SHRI B.K. DAS CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any agreement has been reached between the U.S. and U.S.S.R. on the ban of nuclear arms and other weapons of mass destruction from the sea bed;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) to (c) Copy of the U.S.-U.S.S.R. joint draft treaty "on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Seabed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil thereof" presented to the Committee on Disarmament on October 30, 1969 is placed on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library See No.* L.T.—2508/69].

An extract from the statement on the draft treaty made by our representative in the First Committee of the U.N. General Assembly is also placed on the Table of the House.

VIETNAM MINISTER'S TALKS WITH PRIME MINISTER

5197. SHRI MAHENDRA MAJHI :
SHRI D.N. DEB. :
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the South Vietnamese Minister, Dr. Phan Quang Dan, recently visited New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of the discussions held with him;

(c) whether he has officially protested to Government against India's initiative to upgrade its Mission in Hanoi;

(d) whether in a press statement, Dr. Dan criticised India's move in regard to North Vietnam; and

(e) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). It is customary to treat such discussions as confidential.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

STANDARD OF MAINTENANCE IN INDIAN AIR FORCE

5198. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the MINISTER OF DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that standard of maintenance in the Indian Air Force is not up to the mark;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any steps have been taken to look into the same; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to improve it ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L.N. MISHRA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) : The maintenance standards are reviewed from time to time and efforts made not only to keep the standard of maintenance upto the mark but also to improve upon them.

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO CALCUTTA

5199. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether she visited Calcutta in September, 1969 and stayed at the Raj Bhavan; and

(b) if so, whether her visit was official or un-official ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Official.

VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER TO LACCADIVE, MINICOY AND AMINDIVI ISLANDS

5200. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether she visited Laccadives, Minicoy and Amindivi Islands in the second week of October, 1969;

(b) if so, the purpose of her visit;

(c) the outcome thereof; and

(d) the steps which are proposed to be taken to improve the lot of people inhabiting in those areas ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. The Prime Minister visited the Laccadive group of islands from October 10 to October 12, 1969. This was a part of the Prime Minister's periodic visits to the various parts of the country. As it happened, it was the first visit by any Prime Minister to these islands. It provided an opportunity to her to meet the people of these islands and see the progress of various development programmes.

(d) The Government have been taking steps to improve the socio-economic condition of the people of these islands, by helping them in the fields of agriculture, fisheries, education and various other developmental programmes.

INCLUSION OF PRESS OFFICER AND PRIVATE SECRETARY TO MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IN U.N. DELEGATION

5201. SHRI S.C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the functions of the Advisers included in the 22-man Indian Delegation to the U.N. General Assembly Session which began in New York on the 16th September, 1969 and the role played by the Press Officer and the Private Secretary to the Minister who were also included in the said delegation; and

(b) whether the addition of the Press Officer and the Private Secretary is a new factor in the constitution of the delegation to United Nations and whether such persons had been included in the previous delegations as well ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH)

(*a*) Advisers to the delegation assist the delegation in the substantive work of the different committees of the General Assembly. The Press Officer is responsible for liaison between the delegation and press agencies. The Private Secretary renders secretarial assistance to the Minister in the discharge of his functions as Leader of the Delegation.

(*b*) This is not a new feature. Press officers and Private Secretaries have been included from time to time in delegations in the past.

FOREIGN MINISTERS TALKS WITH SOVIET LEADERS ON CHINESE ARMS SUPPLY TO PAKISTAN

5202. SHRI S.C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there was any mention of the long standing Sino-Indian dispute during the talks which he had with the top leaders including Prime Minister and External Affairs Minister of U.S.S.R. during his visit to that country in September, 1969; and

(*b*) if so, whether during the said talks mention was also made about the Chinese help of arms etc. to Pakistan and of building a road in Indian territory under occupation by Pakistan in the northern part of Kashmir?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (*a*) and (*b*) The talks were of a confidential nature and it is not our practice to disclose the contents of such talks.

REFORMS IN ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICIES

5203. SHRI S.C. SAMANTA :
SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether she had stated at the luncheon meeting of the Press Club of India on the 16th September, 1969 that she put high priority on reform of the administrative structure to make it a fit instrument for implementing policies; if so, the steps being taken in this direction;

(*b*) the drawbacks, in her opinion, in the present structure which create difficulties or delays in implementing those policies and when and how these obstacles are proposed to be removed; and

(*c*) whether any machinery has been set up or is likely to be set up to have the right man in the right job so that no job was left undone ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (*a*) to (*c*). The Prime Minister emphasised the importance of putting the right man in the right job, so that work could be done effectively.

Government attach great importance to the all-round improvement of the administrative system. The Administrative Reforms Commission in their Report on the Machinery of the Government of India and its Procedures of Work have made certain specific recommendations which are under consideration.

EXPORT OF RAIL WAGONS TO U.S.S.R.

5204. SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR :
SHRI RABI RAY :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether it is a fact that U.S.S.R. is not keen on taking the total number of Railway Wagons which were proposed to be supplied by India to U.S.S.R. in the original protocol; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (*a*) and (*b*). As no final agreement has so far been reached about the supply of wagons to U.S.S.R., it is not possible to say whether U.S.S.R. would not import the total number of wagons which were proposed to be supplied under the original Protocol.

EXPORT OF CAMELS

5205. SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India sell camels abroad;

(b) if so, to which countries; and

(c) the amount of foreign exchange India has earned from it so far ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) to (c). Export of Camels is neither controlled under the Exports (Control) Order, 1968 nor are they separately classified in the Indian Trade Classification. The information is, therefore, not available with the Government.

RELEASE OF A DERANGED INDIAN YOUTH FROM PAKISTAN JAIL

5206. SHRI D.N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that an Indian Youth, mentally deranged named Swaminathan, had strayed into East Pakistan and is now in Pak jail;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken steps to secure the release of the Indian Youth; and

(c) the extent to which efforts have been successful ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter was taken up with the Pakistan Government immediately after the receipt of information about his arrest.

(c) The final reply from the Pakistan Government about the date of the boy's release is still awaited despite several reminders.

LAW AND ORDER SITUATION IN NAGALAND

5207. SHRI D.N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have ensured that the law and order situation in Nagaland will not deteriorate on Centre's decision to allow the Preventive Detention Act to lapse; and

(b) if so, the protective measures, so far as Centre is concerned, taken in this regard.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) and (b). It is proposed that persons detained under the Preventive Detention Act who are guilty of serious offences of various types should be prosecuted. The State Government and the Centre are taking necessary measures to meet the situation arising from the lapse of the Preventive Detention Act. The Security Forces are also on the alert to prevent any deterioration in the law and order situation.

PAKISTAN AGENTS IN ASSAM

5208. SHRI D.N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan has increased the tempo of sending agent provocateurs into Assam to create communal and civil disturbances;

(b) whether the Government have lodged any protest in this regard; and

(c) if so, the latest protest and what is the Pak reaction in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

FILLING UP OF POST OF CHIEF DRAUGHTSMAN IN DIRECTORATE OF TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTION

5209. SHRI SURAJ BHAN :
SHRI B.K. DASCHOWDHURY :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a post of Chief Draughtsman in the Directorate of Technical Development and Production (Air) which was to be filled by departmental promotion, has been filled by direct recruitment;

(b) whether the direct recruitment was reported to in haste to deprive Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes who

were senior most in the Department, but were short of requisite service by a few days only;

(c) whether previously this Department kept the similar post vacant for more than 2 years to make the non-Scheduled Caste departmental candidate eligible for the post;

(d) whether previously it did not allow departmental candidate Draughtsman Grade II to apply for Chief Draughtman's post in the plea that he was not eligible, whereas this time a most junior Draughtsman Grade II has been appointed as Chief Draughtsman; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor, and the steps which Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L.N. MISHRA) : (a) to (e). The post of Chief Draughtsman in the Directorate of Technical Development and Production (Air) is not specifically 'promotion' post and can be filled up either by direct recruitment or promotion, as considered necessary by the appointing authority who in this case is the Director. The post fell vacant on the 29th April 1969, and it was decided by the Director to release the post for direct recruitment. None of the serving Draughtsman Grade I (the grade immediately below Chief Draughtsman) was eligible for promotion, as none of them fulfilled the basic requirement (for departmental promotion) of three years service in their grade.

Out of the three senior most Draughtsmen Grade I who belong to the Scheduled Castes Scheduled Tribes, two would have completed three years service on 13-9-1969 and one on 23-10-1969. The post, however, fell vacant on 29-4-1969, and a requisition was placed on the Director General of Employment and Training on 23-6-1969 calling for names of suitable candidates. At the same time applications were invited from eligible departmental candidates.

The post remained vacant between 1962-64 in spite of repeated attempts to fill up the vacancies. The post which fell vacant in January 1962 was advertised in April 1962. Name of the candidates who applied was found suitable. The post was then released to the D.G.E. & T. in October 1962 who stated that there was no suitable candidate on their rolls. It was again released to the D.G.E.& T. in November 1963 but without any success. Finally a suitable candidate was selected in response to an advertisement issued in March, 1964.

In 1964 no departmental candidate who was eligible was disallowed from applying for the post of Chief Draughtsman. However, none of the serving Draughtsmen Grade II were called for the interview/written test, as a very large number of candidates from higher grades possessing the necessary qualifications/experience had applied for the post, and only a limited number could be called for the interview/test. However, on this occasion, only a total of 15 applications was received as against 69 applications received in 1964. After initial screening 10 candidates were called for interview test which include Draughtsmen Grade II among other departmental candidates. A Draughtsman Grade II was selected for the post on the basis of his performance in the written test and interview.

Sale of Useless Machinery by U.S.A. to India

5210. SHRI MANGLATHUMADAM :
SHRI K. LAKKAPPA :
SHRI K. ANIRUDHAN :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that U.S.A. have sold useless machinery for our defence production at quite high prices; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L.M. MISHRA): (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House shortly if there is any.

लोगों की न्यूनतम बुनियादी आवश्यकतायें

5211. श्री मोसहू प्रसाद : क्या प्रधान-मंत्री 23 अप्रैल, 1969 के अतारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 7339 के उत्तर के

सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) जिन लोगों की न्यूनतम बुनियादी आवश्यकताएं पूरी की जा रही हैं, उनकी प्रतिशतता के बारे में सांख्यिकीय जानकारी उपलब्ध न कराने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(ख) उपरोक्त भाग (क) में पूछी गई जानकारी एकत्रित करने के लिए क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

प्रधान मंत्री, वित्त मंत्री, अनुशक्ति मंत्री तथा योजना मंत्री (श्रीमती इंदिरा गांधी) : (क) और (ख). इस विषय में किसी प्रकार के विश्वसनीय निष्कर्षों पर पहुंचने के लिए पर्याप्त सांख्यिकीय आंकड़े विद्यमान नहीं हैं। आय के वितरण तथा रहन-सहन के स्तरों सम्बन्धी समिति ने अपने प्रतिवेदन में सरकार का ध्यान सांख्यिकीय कमियों की ओर दिलाया है और इस सम्बन्ध में कतिपय सिफारिशें की हैं। इन सिफारिशों की सरकार द्वारा जांच की जा रही है।

NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT ON VIKRANT AIRCRAFT CARRIER

5212. SHRI RANJEET SINGH : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of aircraft available for operation on the Vikrant aircraft carrier;

(b) their names and which of them are of the latest model and what is the year of purchase of the aircraft of the latest models and the oldest models for our aircraft carrier;

(c) whether this aircraft carrier is obsolete and becomes a security risk during time of war; and

(d) whether any effort is being made to replace these aircraft and modernize the aircraft carrier ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L.N. MISHRA) : (a) and (b). It would not be in the public interest to disclose the information.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Such matters are automatically given consideration according to the circumstances.

ROYALTY ON RUSSIAN VERSION OF NEHRU'S BOOKS

5213. SHRI BALRAJ MADHOK : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of books of late Jawaharlal Nehru have been published in U.S.S.R. in Russian language;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Shrimati Indira Gandhi is entitled to royalty on these books; and

(c) if so, the total amount paid by the Government of U.S.S.R. as royalty to Shrimati Indira Gandhi during the last three years and in what currency ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). No royalty has been received by Shrimati Indira Gandhi from the Soviet Union.

REQUIREMENT OF NUCLEAR POWER IN INDIA

5214. SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made any estimate regarding the requirements on nuclear power in India in the next ten years;

(b) if so, the details of the estimate made; and

(c) the steps being taken to meet the requirements ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) to (c). In addition to the 380 MWe of nuclear power generating

capacity already commissioned and 600 MWe under construction, the Atomic Energy Commission has proposed the establishment of considerable additional capacity by 1979. The question of setting up additional units for the purpose is at present under consideration.

SUPPLY OF RAW MATERIALS TO INDUSTRIES

5215. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) the total demand of each basic raw material in quantity and value thereof for large scale, small scale and cottage industry in each State from 1967-68 to 1969-70;

(b) the quantity and value thereof, purchased locally and imported from abroad from 1967-68 to 1969-70;

(c) the quantity and value of each basic raw material supplied by the Central Government to each State for large scale, small scale and cottage industry from 1967-68 to 1969-70; and

(d) the steps, if any, being taken to meet the shortage of essential raw materials needed for our industrial development ?

THE MINISTER OF SUPPLY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI R. K. KHADILKAR) : (a) to (d). The information is being collected by the Ministry of Industrial Development, Internal Trade and Company Affairs (Department of Industrial Development) who are concerned with the subject matter of the Question and will be laid on the Table of the House.

VISITS TO ANDAMANS BY TECHNICAL ADVISER AND CHIEF NAVAL ARCHITECT

5216. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Technical Adviser and Chief Naval Architect visited Andamans in 1966 and 1968; and

(*b*) if so, the object and outcome of those visits ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L.N. MISHRA) : (a) The Director of Naval Construction, who is in effect the Chief Naval Architect, has not made any such visit.

(*b*) Does not arise.

DEMAND FOR MILITARY RULE IN INDIA

5217. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to an article by General K.M. Cariappa, retired Chief of the Indian Army published in the *Deccan Herald* (Bangalore) in its issue dated the 8th August, 1969;

(b) whether the retired General, in his said article, exhorted the people to "demand that we must have military rule for atleast five years," ;

(c) if so, whether Government have examined the contents of the article; and

(d) if so, reaction of Government thereto ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) to (d). Government have seen the two articles captioned "Democracy and India", by General K.M. Cariappa which appeared in the '*Indian Express*' in July, 1969. They contain the personal views of the writer.

अन्तरमंत्रालय निरीक्षण दल द्वारा दूतावासों के कार्य का अध्ययन

5218. श्री रघुवीर सिंह शास्त्री : क्या वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि वाशिंगटन स्थित भारतीय दूतावास के कार्य का अध्ययन करने के लिए एक अन्तरमंत्रालय निरीक्षण दल वाशिंगटन गया था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त दल ने अन्य किन-किन दूतावासों के कार्य का अध्ययन किया; और

(ग) इस सम्बन्ध में इस दल ने क्या मुख्य निष्कर्ष निकाले हैं ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) इस निरीक्षण दल ने जिन अन्य मिशनों का निरीक्षण किया, उनके नाम इस प्रकार हैं :—

(1) संयुक्त राष्ट्र संघ, न्यूयार्क में भारत का स्थायी मिशन ।

(2) भारत का प्रधान कौंसलावास, न्यूयार्क ।

(3) भारत का उच्चायोग, ओटावा ।

(4) भारत सरकार पर्यटन कार्यालय, टोरोंटो ।

(5) भारत का राजदूतावास मैक्सिको सिटी ।

(6) भारत का राजदूतावास, कैराकास (वैनेजुएला) ।

(7) भारत का उच्चायोग, जार्ज टाउन (गुयाना) ।

(8) भारत का उच्चायोग, पोर्ट आफ स्पेन (ट्रिनिडाड और टोबैगो) ।

(ग) निरीक्षण दल की इन मिशनों से सम्बन्धित रिपोर्ट, जो गोपनीय प्रकृति की है, प्राप्त हो गई है और अब इन पर विचार किया जा रहा है ।

संयुक्त राष्ट्र में भेजे जाने वाले सद्भावना शिष्टमंडलों तथा प्रतिनिधि मंडलों में संसद सदस्यों तथा अन्य व्यक्तियों को शामिल करना

5219. **श्री रघुवीर सिंह शास्त्री** : क्या **वैदेशिक-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि गत तीन वर्षों में संयुक्त राष्ट्र में भेजे गए अनेक प्रतिनिधि मंडलों तथा विभिन्न देशों में भेजे गए सद्भावना शिष्ट-मंडलों के लिए नाम निर्देशित संसद सदस्यों तथा गैर-सरकारी व्यक्तियों के नाम क्या हैं ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मन्त्रालय में उप-मन्त्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : आवश्यक सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सदन की मेज पर रख दी जाएगी ।

थोरियम से सस्ती बिजली का उत्पादन

5220. **श्री रघुवीर सिंह शास्त्री** : क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगी कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारत में थोरियम बहुत बड़ी मात्रा में उपलब्ध है जिससे बहुत सस्ती दर पर बिजली पैदा की जा सकती है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके उपयोग के लिए कार्यक्रम बनाया गया है ?

प्रधान मंत्री, वित्त मंत्री, अणुशक्ति मंत्री तथा योजना मंत्री (श्रीमती इन्दिरा गांधी) : (क) तथा (ख). भारत में थोरियम के विशाल भंडारों की विद्यमानता के कारण भारतीय परमाणु ऊर्जा कार्यक्रम का लक्ष्य यह है कि भविष्य में देश में प्रमाणु बिजली के उत्पादन के लिए इस धातु का उपयोग बड़े पैमाने पर किया जाए । थोरियम का उपयोग ताप रिएक्टरों तथा फास्ट ब्रीडर रिएक्टरों में विखंडनशील पदार्थों के प्रजनन के लिए किया जाएगा ।

STATEMENT OF MINISTER OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OF WEST BENGAL

5221. SHRI VASUDEVAN NAIR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the statement made by the West Bengal Minister for Planning and Development saying that the Fourth Plan prospects for Bengal were bleak, has been brought to the notice of the Central Government;

(b) the proposals put forward by the Government of West Bengal before the Development Council about the financing of the Fourth Plan with regard to West Bengal; and

(c) how far the Central Government could accept their proposals ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). In the discussions held with the Planning Commission recently the State Chief Minister and Planning and Development Minister made certain proposals (including increase in Central assistance, larger market borrowings, rescheduling of its debt) for increasing the size of the State's Fourth Five Year Plan. These will be duly considered while finalising the State's Fourth Five Year Plan.

DEFENCE PLANES USED BY PERSONS OTHER THAN MILITARY OFFICIALS

5222. SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names and addresses of the persons, other than Military officials, who used the Defence planes during the period from the 15th July to 15th August, 1969 from the 1st November to 25th November, 1969;

(b) the names and addresses of the passengers who travelled in these planes and the names and addresses of the persons who booked the same;

(c) the names and addresses of the persons who paid the air-fare giving the amount of fare paid, by each person who booked the plane;

(d) whether it is a fact that some Members of Parliament have demanded an inquiry for misusing the Defence plane for party ends; and

(e) if so, why Government have not made any inquiry into the allegation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

(d) and (e). Before the House adjourned for lunch on 21-11-1969, it was stated by Smt. Tarakeshwari Sinha, M.P. that 10 Defence planes had been allowed to be used for members to be brought for the requisitioned AICC meeting. Dr. Ram Subagh Singh, MP had also mentioned that some Defence Ministry planes had been sent for fetching members.

After checking up the position, the Defence Minister made a statement in the House on 21st November, 1969 clarifying that no IAF plane had been used for bringing AICC members for the requisitioned AICC meeting or for any other purpose connected with the AICC. The allegation was baseless.

DIFFERENCE OF OPINION BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND TOP PLANNING OFFICERS

5223. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether press reports that there was difference of opinion between Government and top Planning Officers on various important policy matters have been brought to her notice;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that differences have come to such a stage that the services of some top people in the Planning Commission have to be disposed with; and

(c) which are the major policy matters on which differences have arisen and how far the views of the officers concerned are not in line with the basic socialistic goals of the economy ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) to (c). Government is not aware of any reports in the press about alleged 'differences of opinion between Government and top planning officers'. However, there have been some references to alleged differences of opinion between the Planning Commission and the Government. All these reports are exaggerated and ill-informed. It is part of the decision-making process that officials should express their opinion freely and frankly. Even differences of approach and emphasis between the Planning Commission and Government are part of the normal processes of exchange

of views leading to the making of a decision. However, such differences which are normal, natural and inevitable, do not warrant the inferences sought to be drawn by the Honourable Member in parts (b) and (c) of the question.

FOREIGN TRADE HANDLED BY STATE TRADING CORPORATION

5224. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new items were taken up for export by the State Trading Corporation during the year 1969,

(b) if so, which are these items and what has been the performance so far; and

(c) the items in case of which price support policy was continued during the year, the cases in which it was discontinued and which of the new items taken for export receive the price support and the extent of price support in case of each commodity and reasons for continuance and discontinuance of support ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT—2309/69]

(c) The State Trading Corporation has continued assistance in the export of leather uppers, figured and wired glass and certain engineering goods, the quantum of assistance depending upon the disparity between internal and international prices. Efforts are being made to reduce this assistance with a view to eliminating it as soon as possible. Such assistance has not been extended to any new item of export this year.

TRANSFER OF SUBJECT MATTERS PERTAINING TO NAGALAND TO MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

5225. SHRI YASHPAL SINGH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is now proposed to transfer the subject matters pertaining to Nagaland to the Ministry of Home Affairs; and

(b) if so, when the transfer would be effected ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) The position has been explained to the House on many occasions in the past. Government of Nagaland deal direct with various Ministries of the Government of India on matters which concern those Ministries. Ministry of External Affairs deal only with broad political aspects of the situation in Nagaland. This arrangement has its origin in the 1960 Agreement with the Naga leaders and for the present there is no intention to change it.

(b) Does not arise.

प्रतिरक्षा उत्पादन एककों में चीनी तथा पाकिस्तानी जासूस

5226. श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : क्या **प्रतिरक्षा** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या गोपनीय बातों का पता लगाने तथा तोड़फोड़ की कार्यवाहियाँ करने आदि के लिए हमारे प्रतिरक्षा उत्पादन के एककों में अपने जासूस भेजने की चीन और पाकिस्तान की योजनाओं के बारे में सरकार को कोई जानकारी है;

(ख) क्या सरकार को ऐसे पाकिस्तानी तथा चीनी जासूसों का पता लगा है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इनके विरुद्ध क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री ल० ना० मिश्र) : (क) से (ग). इस सम्बन्ध में कोई विशिष्ट सूचना नहीं है, परन्तु सरकार इस बारे में सम्भाव्यताओं के प्रति सजग है, और आवश्यक सतर्कता बरती जा रही है तथा सुरक्षा निर्देशों पर बल दिया जा रहा है।

राजनीतिज्ञों का विदेशी दूतावासों से सम्पर्क

5227. श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : क्या **वैदेशिक-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को कुछ राजनीतिज्ञों का भारत स्थित कुछ विदेशी दूतावासों से सीधा सम्पर्क होने तथा उनकी कुछ अवैध गतिविधियों के बारे में किन्हीं स्रोतों से जानकारी मिली है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उन विशिष्ट दूतावासों के क्या नाम हैं जिनके बारे में सरकार को उक्त जानकारी प्राप्त हुई है; और

(ग) क्या सरकार ने उन राजनीतिज्ञों को किसी रूप में सावधान किया है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : (क) से (ग). यह राजदूतावास का सामान्य कार्य है कि वह अपने प्रत्यापित देश में सभी वर्गों के लोगों के साथ सम्पर्क रखे । परन्तु ऐसे लोग जब गैर-कानूनी कार्य करते हैं तो संबद्ध नियमों के अन्तर्गत उनके विरुध कार्रवाई की जाती है । इसके अतिरिक्त, अगर ऐसे गैर-कानूनी कार्यों में विदेशी राजदूतावासों के शामिल होने की बात प्रकाश में आती है, तो राजनयिक आचार के आदर्शों का अतिक्रमण करने की बात उनके ध्यान में लाई जाती है और जो संभव होता है कार्रवाई की जाती है ।

MONAZITE DEPOSITS IN KERALA

5228. SHRI K. ANIRUDHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government to develop/harness the rich Monazite deposits in Chevara in Kerala; and

(b) whether any study has been made to see that the said monazite is used as a raw material for the Atomic Development Programme ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) A plant for the separation of monazite and other mineral constituents of beach sands is being set up at Chavara by Indian Rare Earths Ltd., a Government of India public sector undertaking.

(b) Monazite is an important source of thorium. Studies are in progress in India and elsewhere regarding the use of thorium as a fertile material in nuclear reactors.

RESETTLEMENT OF REPATRIATES FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES

5229. SHRI SHINKRE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken due note of the forced repatriation of the people of the Indian origin and specially Goans and Gujaratis from the countries of East Africa like Kenya, Tanganika and Zanzibar;

(b) whether the State Governments of Goa and Gujarat have approached the Central Government with some schemes for rehabilitation of those repatriates in their States; and

(c) if not, whether Government propose to prepare a scheme to assist and rehabilitate those repatriates who had to leave those countries in precarious conditions mostly penniless ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Certain legislative and other measures have been undertaken by some countries in East and Central Africa which tend to restrict the role of aliens in business and employment in these countries. These measures affect all aliens alike and are not aimed against nationals of a particular country or particular community.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) If and when the occasion arises, the Government of India will formulate and consider rehabilitation schemes for such people of Indian origin returning to India, who may need assistance.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS THROUGH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

5230. DR. SUSHILA NAYAR:
SHRI S. M. KRISHNA:

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state the exports and imports made by Government agencies during the last 3 years, year-wise ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

EXPORT TO CANADA

5231. SHRI R. K. BIRLA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Canadian importers are keenly interested in buying a large number of Indian goods;

(b) if so, the type of the goods in which they have shown their interest; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to capture the Canadian market ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement indicating the important items of exports from India to Canada during 1969 is attached.

(c) Apart from the general export promotion measures such as export assistance and commercial publicity, the following measures have been taken:

(1) The State Trading Corporation of India has opened a subsidiary office in Canada.

(2) The Handicrafts and Handlooms Exports Corporation of India Ltd. has set up a show room-*cum*-sales centre for handicrafts and handlooms in Montreal.

(3) Market surveys have been conducted to explore the possibilities of exporting domestic sewing machines, spices, coir products, tobacco, diesel engines and woollen fabrics.

STATEMENT

(*i*) *Food Products*

Cashew Nuts Shelled or Roasted.
Walnuts Shelled or Roasted.
Peanuts Green.
Coffee Green.
Tea Black.
Ginger Ground or Unground.
Pepper Ground or Unground.
Pimento Ground or Unground.
Spice, Spice Herbs Spice Seed.

(*ii*) *Lac/Natural Gums and Herbs.*

Lac, including Bleached.
Natural Gums and Resins.
Crude Herbs.
Crude Vegetable Material.

(*iii*) *Cotton Raw/Waste.*

Raw Cotton.
Cotton Waste.

(*iv*) *Woollen and Cotton Fabrics.*

Worsted Fabrics all Wool 9 oz and less.
Woollen Fabrics Wool mix 9 oz and less.
Duck and Allied Fabrics Cotton.
Drill Twill Warp Cotton Unbleached.
Bleached and coloured Printed
Cloth sheeting Cotton, Unbleached.
Bleached and Coloured.
Flannel Napped Fabrics Cotton Unbleached. Bleached and Coloured.
Dennim Cotton.
Broad Woven Fabrics Cotton Coloured Bleached and Unbleached.

(*v*) *Rayon and Nylon.*

Rayon Broad Woven Fabrics.

(*vi*) *Floor Coverings.*

Oriental Rugs, Genuine.
Hemp juted and Sisal Mats and Matting.
Coconut Fibre Mats and Matting.

(*vii*) *Footwear.*

Boot and Shoes, Men & Boys.
Boot and Shoes, Women and Girls.
Boot and Shoes, Child Infants.
Utility Footwear Fab. Tops.

(*viii*) *Jute Broad Woven Fabrics.*

Jute Broad Woven Fab. upto 50 Inches.
Jute Broad Woven Fab. over 50-100".
Jute Broad woven Fab. over 100".

JUTE INDUSTRY

5232. SHRI R. K. BIRLA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the interim increase of Rs. 30 per month to a workman in the Jute Industry will increase

the losses the jute industry has already been incurring and if so, to what extent; and

(b) whether Government assured industry that immediately after the report of the Commission regarding the cost structure of sacking, hessian and carpet backing is made known, Government will consider reducing the export duty on all the three items ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) At current prices of jute and jute goods, the jute industry is not incurring any loss.

(b) No, Sir.

RATES OF PAYMENTS FOR PURCHASE OF CARS BY STATE TRADING CORPORATION

5233. SHRI BHAJAHARI MAHATO: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Trading Corporation has paid to foreign diplomats, for their cars taken over by the State Trading Corporation, at rates higher than the official rate of exchange;

(b) if so, in how many cases such payments have been made and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action taken against the officers who have thus infringed the exchange control regulations ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

EXPORT TARGETS OF STATE TRADING CORPORATION

5234. SHRI BHAJAHARI MAHATO: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Trading Corporation whose Chairman has announced an export target of nearly Rs. 70 crores, is now nearly Rs. 3 crores short of this target;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to ensure that the lag is made up by the end of this financial year; and

(c) the authority held responsible for the loss to the exchequer ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) The State Trading Corporation has fixed a target of Rs. 60 crores for exports during 1969-70. Exports for about Rs. 30 crores have already been effected and the Corporation expects to effect exports upto the targetted level before the end of the year.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

U.P. CANTONMENTS (CONTROL OF RENT AND EVICTION) ACT, 1952

5235. SHRI RANDHIR SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2407 on the 3rd December, 1969 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the orders issued under Section 14 of the U.P. Cantonments (Control of Rent and Eviction) Act, 1952 cannot be reviewed or cancelled by a District Magistrate;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to empower the District Magistrates to review their own orders issued thereunder; and

(c) if so, when and whether Government propose to consider the desirability of introducing this amendment from the date of commencement of the said Act in order to deal with the cases which have already been reviewed or lying pending for review with the District Magistrates ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L.N. MISHRA): (a) There is no express provision in the Uttar Pradesh Cantonments (Control of Rent and Eviction) Act, 1952 empowering a District Magistrate to review or cancel an order passed by him under Section 14 thereof.

(b) There is no proposal at present under consideration of Government to amend the Uttar Pradesh Cantonments (Control of Rent and Eviction) Act, 1952.

(c) Does not arise.

IRREGULARITIES COMMITTED BY TEXTILE MILLS

5236. SHRI MADHU LIMAYE: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to refer to the statements made by the then Commerce Minister on the 10th September, 1964 in which he had *inter alia* stated in Hindi

"सात-आठ फरियादों पर हमने कार्यवाही की और तीन आदमियों पर केश भी दायर किये"

and in English that "Immediate action was taken against 10 mills which had broken the voluntary price scheme and they had to restore the old prices within ten days" and state:

(a) the number of complaints received by Government in regard to these violations;

(b) the names of the complainants and the names of the mills against whom these complaints were made;

(c) the details of the prosecutions launched by Government;

(d) whether any convictions were obtained; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) and (b). It has not been possible to find any record of the complaints made to Government in regard to violations of the Voluntary Price Regulation Scheme. It was on the basis of press reports that the matter regarding stamping of higher prices was taken up with cotton textile mills. 40 mills, whose names are contained in the attached statement, admitted to have stamped higher prices. Statement laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT—2510/69]

(c) and (d). In the absence of statutory price control the question of Central Government launching prosecution against any party did not arise.

(e) Does not arise.

VOLUNTARY PRICE REGULATION SCHEME FOR TEXTILES

5237. SHRI MADHU LIMAYE: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to refer to Para 1 of Government Circular No. 2 (6) 61—Control dated the 29th November, 1961 and para 2 of Textile Commissioner Circular No. EB/EA/NVP dated the 5th December, 1962 and state:

(a) whether Government propose to lay copy each of the above Circulars on the Table; and

(b) whether Government also propose to lay a copy each of the documents of Voluntary Price Regulation Scheme for the proper implementation of which the above mentioned Statutory Circulars were issued ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) Copies of the Government Circular No. 2(6)/61-Control dated the 29th November, 1961 and Textile Commissioner's Circular No. EB/EA,NVP dated the 5th December, 1962 are laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2511/69].

(b) Details of the Voluntary Price Regulation Scheme are contained in the Indian Cotton Mills Federation's Press statement dated the 3rd September, 1960 a copy of which is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT—2511/69].

VOLUNTARY PRICE REGULATION SCHEME RE. TEXTILES

5238. SHRI MADHU LIMAYE: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 9669 on the 14th May, 1969 and state:

(a) whether through the Textile Commissioner's Circular No. Pol. II/2(21)/60 dated the 12th October, 1960, the authority of clause 23 (2) of Cotton Textile Control Order was invoked to restrict statutorily the mills from producing any variety of such cloth of which maximum ex-mill price had not been specified and approved under clause 22 of the Cotton Textile Control Order;

(b) whether it is a fact that the prices stamped on usual varieties were approved as maximum ex-mill prices in law under clause 22 of the Cotton Textile Control Order; and

(c) whether Government propose to lay on the Table a copy of the document containing instructions by the Textile Commissioner as referred to in reply to the above question ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) and (b). No, Sir.

(c) The document containing instructions by the Textile Commissioner as referred to in reply to Unstarred Question No. 9669 answered on 14-5-69 was laid on the Table of the House on 29-8-1969.

NON-COOPERATION BY INDIAN EMBASSIES

5239. SHRI VIRENDRAKUMAR SHAH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item in the *Hindu* of the 21st November, 1969, wherein the Speaker of the Tamil Nadu Assembly is reported to have complained against the non-cooperation of the officials of the Indian Embassies with the Indian delegation during their visit abroad;

(b) if so, whether the position has been ascertained and the allegations found to be correct;

(c) whether there have been several complaints of similar nature against our Embassies in the past;

(d) whether necessary steps have been taken in the matter; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The reported remarks of the Hon'ble Speaker of the Tamil Nadu Assembly appear to have been made in a general way. No communication has been received either from the Hon'ble Speaker of the Tamil Nadu Assembly or from any other member of the Indian delegation, complaining against non-cooperation by any of the Indian Missions abroad. In case any specific complaint is received, it will be looked into.

(c) to (e). In the past, some complaints were received. We had also received several letters of appreciation for the assistance rendered by Indian Missions abroad to visiting dignitaries. All our Missions have standing instructions, which are re-emphasized from time to time, to render all reasonable assistance to visiting Indian dignitaries. Any specific complaints received are always looked into and remedial measures are taken whenever necessary.

दानापुर छावनी के निकट मुबारकपुर गांव के किसानों से भूमि का अर्जन

5240. **श्री रामावतार शास्त्री :** क्या प्रति-रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने दानापुर (पटना) छावनी, के निकट मुबारकपुर गांव के किसानों से वह भूमि जो सरकार के पास 1962 से पट्टे पर है अर्जित करने का निर्णय लिया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या इस हेतु सरकार ने कार्यवाही आरम्भ कर दी है;

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो ऐसा कब तक किए जाने की सम्भावना है;

(घ) क्या सरकार ने उसके लिए कोई मुआवजा निर्धारित किया है; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री ल० ना० मिश्र) : (क) से (ङ). यह सच है कि पटना के मुबारकपुर गांव से रक्षा उद्देश्यों के लिए 1964 में अर्जित की गई लगभग 77.37 एकड़ भूमि के, 10 अक्तूबर, 1969 को इस मंत्रालय द्वारा अधिग्रहण के लिए स्वीकृति दी गई है । विधि के अनुसार, अधिग्रहण के लिए मुआवजा निर्धारित करना भूमि अधिग्रहण कलैक्टर का उत्तरदायित्व है ।

ALLOCATION OF QUOTA OF RAW FILMS TO FILM PRODUCERS OF MADRAS

5241. SHRI ARJUN SINGH BHADORIA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) the quota of Raw films allotted to each of the Film Producers of Madras Film Industry during the last three years till November, 1969 together with the names and addresses of those Film Producers;

(b) if so, whether they have fully utilised their quota of Raw Film; and

(c) if not, the action taken against each of them ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

ALLOCATION OF QUOTA OF RAW FILMS TO FILM PRODUCERS OF BOMBAY

5242. SHRI ARJUN SINGH BHADORIA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) the quota of raw films allotted to each of the Bombay Film Producers during the last three years till November, 1969 together with the names and addresses of the Film Producers to whom the quota of raw films was allotted;

(b) whether they have fully utilised their film quota; and

(c) if not, the action taken against those who have not utilised the quota allotted to them ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

SPARE PARTS FOR RADIOS AND TRANSISTORS

5243. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 378 on the 3rd December, 1969 and state:

(a) whether small scale sector industries producing radios and transistors require parts for their manufacturers but these are not given to them directly by the Public Sector Undertakings but through big intermediary agencies which increase the prices and cause harassment; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L.N. MISHRA): (a) and (b). Bharat Electronics Limited is the only Government of India Public Sector Undertaking which produces certain component parts required by the manufacturers of radios and transistors, namely:

(*i*) Radio Receiving Valves.

(*ii*) Germanium and Silicon Transistors and diodes.

(*iii*) Ceramic Capacitors.

For obtaining supplies of these items the small scale manufacturers place their indents through BEL's distributors on BEL and supplies are then made at the set manufacturers price directly from B.E.L. Through this scheme the Small Scale manufacturers receive components at the same price as large scale manufacturers. B.E.L. has also been supplying and continues to supply components of their manufacture to the small scale Radio manufacturers through the National Small Scale Industries Corporation, who act as one of BEL's distributors. Here also, the prices charged are the same as for the large scale manufacturers. BEL's Sales Depot at Delhi also sells components to all Small Scale manufacturers for manufacturing fifty sets and above. Similar Sales Depots are proposed to be opened by BEL at Calcutta and Bombay. No report regarding any harassment caused to the Small Scale Radio Manufacturers in supply under the arrangements as explained above has been received by the Government or by the Bharat Electronics Limited.

INCENTIVES ON EXPORT OF HANDLOOM FABRICS

5244. SHRI N. R. DEOGHARE : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications which the Handloom Export Council of Maharashtra has received during the current year for

grant of incentives admissible on export of handloom fabrics; and

(b) the name of applicants along with the amount sanctioned to each who have been granted incentives ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) There is no Handloom Export Promotion Council in Maharashtra.

(b) Does not arise.

भाभा परमाणु अनुसन्धान संस्था, ट्राम्बे में दबे कर्मचारियों के परिवारों को वित्तीय सहायता

5245. **श्री ओंकार लाल बेरवा :** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भाभा परमाणु अनुसंधान संस्था, ट्राम्बे में तीन कर्मचारी दब कर मर गए थे;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या मृतकों के परिवारों को कोई वित्तीय अथवा अन्य सहायता दी गई है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है ?

प्रधान मंत्री, वित्त मंत्री, अणुशक्ति मंत्री तथा योजना मंत्री (श्रीमती इन्दिरा गांधी) : (क) ट्राम्बे में एक ठेकेदार द्वारा काम पर लगाए गए तीन मजदूर 2 दिसम्बर, 1969 को मिट्टी खोदते समय दुर्घटनाग्रस्त होने के कारण मर गए।

(ख) से (घ). मृतकों के परिवार कर्मकार मुआवजा अधिनियम के अनुसार मुआवजा पाने के हकदार हैं।

SCIENTISTS, ENGINEERS AND TECHNOLOGISTS IN BHABHA ATOMIC RESEARCH CENTRE, BOMBAY

5246. SHRI JAI SINGH:

SHRI YAJNA DATT SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of scientists, engineers and technologists employed in the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Bombay is more than the total number of such persons employed in all the National Laboratories of the country;

(b) if so, the number of persons employed in the Centre, with details, category-wise, and the annual bill on salary, T.A., D.A. etc.; and

(c) the places in the country where research in the atomic field is being carried out, the expenditure incurred on the buildings and the annual rental bill in respect of the buildings where they have been hired giving the names of the places ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Information in respect of Bhabha Atomic Research Centre is given in the attached statement. Comparable information in respect of the National Laboratories/CSIR is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) A statement giving the required information is attached.

(c) Research in the Department of Atomic Energy is carried out mainly at the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre as well as at the laboratories of the Atomic Minerals Division located at Delhi, Calcutta, Nagpur, Bangalore, Trivandrum and Sundernagar. Besides, research is carried out in aided institutions and universities. All the laboratories and facilities at the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre are located in government-owned buildings constructed at a cost of the order of Rs. 17 crores. The annual rental of the laboratories of the Atomic Minerals Division is about Rs. 65,000.

Statement

1. Number of scientific and technical personnel employed in the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Trombay, Bombay, as on November 30, 1969.

Grades	Number
Scientific	
Rs. 1300-1800 and above.	43
Rs. 1100-1400/1500	154
Rs. 750-1050/1250	484
Rs. 400-950 Rs. 350-900	1200
Rs. 325-450	129
	2010
Technical	
Rs. 325-575	362
Rs. 250-425/475	1204
Rs. 170-290	301
Rs. 150-240	625
Rs. 130-175/300 Rs. 110-131	1531
	4023
TOTAL ..	6033

2. Expenditure incurred by the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre during 1968-69 on pay and allowances and travelling expenses of scientific and technical staff.

Pay and allowances	Rs. 349·41 lakhs
Travelling expenses	Rs. 11·43 lakhs
TOTAL	Rs. 360·84 lakhs

PRICES OF NON-FERROUS METALS

5247. SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that prices of various non-ferrous metals have recently shot up due to non-availability of metals in required quantities; and

(b) whether Government are aware that further delay in allowing imports of non-ferrous metals will raise the prices further and also affect the working of various industries ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) The Index Numbers of Wholesale prices in India for various non-ferrous metals with 1961-62 as the base, have witnessed an increase in the recent months. The increase in prices is mainly due to higher prices prevailing in the international metal market.

(b) Actual users engaged in priority industries are granted direct licences for importing non-ferrous metals, except for imports from the Rupee Payment Area. The requirements of non-priority industries and the imports from Rupee Payment Area are canalised through the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation. The Corporation have already made supplies against most of the release orders issued upto October, 1969 and have made arrangements for shipments to liquidate the outstanding release orders for copper, lead, zinc and tin.

BIJLI COTTON MILLS (P) LTD.

5248. SHRI MANGALATHUMADAM: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Bijli Cotton Mills (P) Ltd. have approached Government for a loan of Rs. 10 lakhs to deposit Workers' Provident Fund contribution with the Provident Fund Commissioner;

(b) if so, whether Government have recommended the case of this mill to the Ministry of Home Affairs for taking action against the mill; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) The Ministry of Foreign Trade has not received any such representation.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

ALLOTMENT OF QUOTA OF RAW FILMS

5249. SHRI ARJUN SINGH BHADORIA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) the quota of Raw films allotted to each of the following Film Companies of Bombay during the year 1968-69:—

(*i*) Pushpa Pictures, (*ii*) R.K. Nayyar Films, (*iii*) Shatrujit Films, (*iv*) Kalpanalok's (*v*) Shakti Films, (*vi*) Guru Dutt Films Combine, (*vii*) Ranglok Productions, (*viii*) R.S. Productions, (*ix*) K.P.S. Films, (*x*) A.J. Pictures, (*xi*) Tirupathi Pictures and (*xii*) Anand Pictures;

(b) the amount paid by each of the Film Company to Government as a result of this and procedure on which this quota of Raw Films has been allotted by Government; and

(c) whether they have fully utilised their quota and if not, the action taken in the matter ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

(b) The allottees of raw films are not required to pay any amount to Government in consideration of such allotments. Allotments are made to films producers for the production of feature films, documentaries and advertisement shorts for domestic exhibition and to exporters to meet their export requirements. The requirements in respect of domestic exhibition are recommended by a Committee representing the film industry. In the case of exporters, the entitlements are assessed on the basis of export contracts.

(c) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

IMPORT OF AMERICAN AND BRITISH FILMS

5250. SHRI ARJUN SINGH BHADORIA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of parties permitted to import American and British Films into India;

(b) the names and addresses of the importers of foreign films into India and the amount of foreign exchange allotted to each importer during 1968-69; and

(c) the names of foreign films which have been exhibited by each importer in India during 1968-69 ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) to (c). Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

ALLOCATION OF QUOTA OF RAW FILMS

5251. SHRI ARJUN SINGH BHADORIA: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) the quota of raw films allotted to each of the following film companies of Bombay during 1968-69 (i) All India Pictures (ii) Alankar Chitra, (iii) Anupam Chitra, (iv) A.A.N. Productions, (v) Rajshri Productions (P) Ltd., (vi) Associated Film Industries (P) Ltd., (vii) Asha Art Productions (viii) B.R. Films, (ix) B.N.T. Films, (x) Bahar Films, (xi) Bhavdeep Films, and (xii) Bombay Film Laboratories (P) Ltd.;

(b) the amount paid by each to Government;

(c) the procedure on which this quota of raw Films was allotted to them;

(d) whether complaints have been received that some film Companies have sold their quota to another film Company in Black Market; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by Government to stop this practice ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

(b) Allottees of raw films are not required to pay any amount to Government in consideration of such allotments.

(c) Allotments are made to film producers for the production of feature films, documentaries and advertisement shorts for domestic exhibition, and to exporters to meet their export requirements. The requirements in respect of domestic exhibition are recommended by a Committee representing the

film industry. In the case of exporters, the entitlements are assessed on the basis of export contracts.

(d) and (e). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

ALLOCATION OF QUOTA OF RAW FILMS

5252. SHRI K. N. PANDEY: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state the quota of raw films allotted during the year 1967-68 and 1968-69 and the amount paid by each of the following film companies to Government (i) Gemini Films (ii) Vasu Films, (iii) Vijayalaxmi Pictures, (iv) Ganesh Productions (v) Navasa Films, (vi) Jayvee Film Producers, (vii) Seeth Rama Production (viii) Maiyilas Enterprise, (ix) Kaumani Films, (x) Sunshine Pictures, (xi) Anima Chitrans, (xii) Pancho Sakha Pictures, (xiii) Venus Pictures, Madras, and (xiv) R.R. Pictures, Madras?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): The information regarding the quota of raw films allotted to these companies during the years 1967-68 and 1968-69 is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House. The allottees of raw films are not required to pay any amount to Government in consideration of such allotments.

ALLOCATION OF QUOTA OF RAW FILMS

5353. SHRI K. N. PANDEY: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state the quota of raw films allotted to each of the following during the year 1968-69 and amount paid by each Film Company to Government (i) Mukul Enterprises, (ii) Rawal Films (iii) Movie Mughals, (iv) Vishal Pictures (P) Ltd., (v) Embee Production, (vi) Shadow Productions, (vii) Swarnalakshmi Pictures, (viii) Kow naudu Films, (ix) The Modern Theatres Ltd., (x) Jayshree Lakshmi Pictures, (xi) Rahul Theatres (xii) A.R.C. Productions, (xiii) Screen Gems (Madras) (xiv) Renounced Films (P) Ld., and (xv) Padmini Pictures ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): The informtion regarding quota of raw films allotted to these companies during the year 1968-69 is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House. The allottees of raw films are not required to pay any amount to Government in consideration of such allotments.

EXPORT OF FILMS

5254. SHRI K. N. PANDEY: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some private agencies have exported Indian films abroad;

(b) if so, the names of those agencies which have sent Indian films abroad during the last three years till November, 1969 together with the names of the Producers whose films have been sent through Private agencies; and

(c) whether Government have given licences to export Indian films abroad ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) to (c). Films are being exported on the basis of export licences issued by CCI&E. The exports are made by private producers and exporters apart from the Indian Motion Pictures Export Corporation, which is a subsidiary of S.T.C. with 23% shares held by members of the film industry. The labour involved in compiling information regarding details of Indian producers and exporters who have undertaken exports during the last 3 years will not be commensurate with the results likely to be achieved.

IMPORT LICENCES FOR IMPORT OF ARTICLES CONNECTED WITH FILM INDUSTRY

5255. SHRI K. N. PANDEY: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the film Companies who have been given import licences to import articles connected with the film Industry during the last three years till November, 1969;

(b) whether it is a fact that some film companies have not utilised their import licences and sold them to another film company in black market;

(c) whether it is not an offence to sell the import licence and if so, the names of the film companies who have violated the rules and action taken against each of them during the above period ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) Particulars of import licences are published in the "weekly Bulletins of Industrial Licences, Import Licences and Export Licences". No import licences for cinematographic films (unexposed) are issued directly to film producing companies for production of feature films and documentaries.

(b) and (c). The sale of import licences is an offence under the import trade control rules. The other information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

स्वतंत्रता के बाद भारत के प्रथम तथा द्वितीय गवर्नर जनरल को दी जाने वाली पेंशन

5256. **श्री राम गोपाल शालवाले :** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि स्वतन्त्र भारत के प्रथम गवर्नर जनरल, लार्ड माउन्टबेटन और द्वितीय गवर्नर जनरल, श्री सी० राजगोपालाचारी को अब तक पेंशन दी जा रही है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उपरोक्त व्यक्तियों को कितनी मासिक पेंशन दी जाती है; और

(ग) पेंशन के अलावा उन्हें और क्या क्या सुविधाएं दी जाती हैं ?

प्रधान मन्त्री, वित्त मंत्री, अणु शक्ति मंत्री, तथा योजना मंत्री (श्रीमती इंदिरा गांधी) : (क) से (ग). राष्ट्रपति पेंशन अधिनियम, 1951 की व्यवस्था के अनुसार, श्री सी० राजगोपालाचारी को 15,000 रुपए प्रति वर्ष के हिसाब से पेंशन पाने का हक है। वे आखिरी गवर्नर जनरल थे । यह अधिनियम पिछले गवर्नर जनरल, लार्ड माउन्टबेटन पर लागू नहीं होता । उन्हें कोई पेंशन नहीं मिलती है ।

उक्त अधिनियम की व्यवस्था और उसके अधीन बनाए गए नियमों के अनुसार, श्री सी० राजगोपालाचारी को निम्नलिखित सुविधाएं पाने का भी अधिकार है— (क) सचिवालय स्टाफ और कार्यालय खर्च—कुल खर्च मिलाकर 12,000 रुपए प्रति वर्ष से अधिक न होगा; (ख) डाक्टरी सहायता और इलाज मुफ्त ।

ANTI-INDIAN TIRADE IN AFGHANISTAN AND IRAN

5257. SHRI YASHPAL SINGH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India's trade and cultural link with Afganistan and Iran are fast dwindling and large number of Hindu families had been compelled to return because of an Anti-India Tirade launched by Pakistan;

(b) if so, the Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the measures taken to strengthen country's ties with these countries ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There are traditionally close links with Afghanistan which are sought to be further strengthened in all spheres. Relations with Iran, particularly in the economic and commercial spheres, are growing closer and stronger.

EXPORT OF RAIL WAGONS TO *U.S.S.R.*

5258. SHRI R. R. SINGH DEO :
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA :
SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU:
SHRI MEETHA LAL MEENA :
SHRI D. N. DEB :
SHRI V. NARASIMHA RAO :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the negotiations with the U.S.S.R. for the supply of wagons, for which a protocol was signed earlier, have been bogged down only on the question of prices to be paid by the U.S.S.R.;

(b) whether it is also a fact that some Railway Workshops and public sector undertakings like Heavy Engineering Corporation, Ranchi, and Mining and Allied Machinery Corporation, Durgapur, are now contemplating to enter into direct negotiations with the U.S.S.R. for the supply of wagons at a much lower price than quoted by the State Trading Corporation; and

(c) whether Government propose not to accept uneconomic price ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) At present, there is an impasse in the wagon negotiations as no agreement has been reached on the prices to be paid by the U.S.S.R. for the Indian wagons.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

भारत पाकिस्तान सीमा पर रणवीर सिंह-पुरा क्षेत्र में गिरफ्तार किये गये पाकिस्तानी जासूस

5259. **श्री ओंकार लाल बेरवा :** क्या प्रतिरक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारत पाकिस्तान सीमा पर रणवीर सिंह पुरा क्षेत्र और विजकोट में कुछ पाकिस्तानी जासूस गिरफ्तार किए गए हैं;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि उन जासूसों के पास से टाईमबम बरामद हुए हैं;

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि उन्होंने यह मान लिया है कि उन्हें पाकिस्तान सरकार ने रावी नदी का पुल और सामरिक महत्व के अन्य सैनिक ठिकानों को नष्ट करने के लिए भेजा था; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो ऐसी गतिविधियों की रोकथाम के लिए सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री स० ना० मिश्र) : (क) से (घ). जम्मू काश्मीर के कठुआ जिला में हाल ही में स्फोटकों समेत दो पाकिस्तानी राष्ट्रीय पकड़े गए थे । मामला जांच अधीन है और विस्तार प्रकट करना लोकहित में नहीं होगा ।

ALLOCATION OF ORDERS TO PRIVATE SECTOR FOR EXPORT OF WAGONS TO U.S.S.R.

5260. SHRI HIMATSINGKA:
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA:
SHRI G. C. NAIK:
SHRI MEETHA LAL MEENA:
SHRI D. N. DEB:
SHRI V. NARASIMHA RAO:

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether orders for the proposed supply of wagons to U.S.S.R. are to be allocated for compliance of the private sector undertakings also; if so, the names of the enterpreneurs in the field and to whom such orders are being allocated and to what extent in each case; and

(b) the nature of raw material required for the manufacture of these wagons and how and from where the raw material will be obtained; and

(c) whether some of it will be imported and if so, the details thereof and from which countries it will be imported ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) to (c). The Protocol signed on 13-3-1968 between S.T.C. and Machino-import of U.S.S.R. envisaged supply of 54,000 wagons during the years 1969 to 1976. For the first year of supply these wagons were contemplated to be manufactured by major wagons builders of the country, including the railway workshops, keeping in view their capacity, technical know-how and the facilities available. No contracts have yet been executed.

The primary requirements for the manufacture of these wagons are steel plates, rolled steel, wheel sets and roller bearings. Steel plates and wheel sets were proposed to be imported from U.S.S.R. and other East European countries in the initial stages till the indigenous supplies were established.

BOARD OF UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE DEVELOPMENT

5261. SHRI HIMATSINGKA : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any dispute between the countries of Latin America and other developing countries on the Board of the United Nations Conference on Trade Development;

(b) if so, the nature thereof and the reaction of Government thereto; and

(c) the final decision taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (b) to (c). No, Sir. All of them subscribe to the Charter of Algiers adopted unanimously in the Ministerial meeting held in Algiers during 1967. Sometimes emphasis on different issues varies with the respective interests of the constituent units of the Group of '77' *viz.*, Asian, African and Latin American countries, but these matters are usually resolved through mutual consultations.

व्यास बांध के निकट खतियार गांव में विमान दुर्घटना

5262. **श्री शिव चरण लाल :** क्या प्रतिरक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि व्यास बांध के निकट खतियार गांव में जुलाई और अक्तूबर, 1969 के बीच किसी समय एक विमान दुर्घटनाग्रस्त हो गया था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके परिणामस्वरूप कितने विमान कर्मचारी मारे गए;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि वह विमान एक मकान की छत पर गिरा था, जिसके कारण मकान नष्ट हो गया था; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो मारे गए व्यक्तियों तथा नष्ट हुए मकान के लिए सरकार द्वारा कितना मुआवजा दिया गया है ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री म० ना० मिश्र) : (क) जी हां । दुर्घटना 22 अगस्त 1969 को हुई थी ।

(ख) एक ।

(ग) विमान एक खुले मैदान में ध्वस्त हो गया था, परन्तु संघात के पश्चात् यह आगे चला गया था, जिसके फलस्वरूप दो मकानों को क्षति पहुंची थी । दुर्घटना के फलस्वरूप एक असैनिक स्त्री और 3 बच्चे निधन प्राप्त हो गए ।

(घ) जीवनों और सम्पत्तियों की क्षति के लिए मुआवजे के लिए दावों के निर्णय तक कि जो प्रगतिशील है, मृत असैनिकों के निकट कुटुम्बियों को 2500 रुपए राशि की अन्तरिम राहत दे दी गई है ।

नई दिल्ली में उच्चतर माध्यमिक विद्यालयों में राष्ट्रीय छात्र सेना के कैडिटों को जरसियों और जूतों की सप्लाई

5263. **श्री निहाल सिंह :** क्या प्रतिरक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि नई दिल्ली में प्रेजिडेंट एस्टेट उच्चतर माध्यमिक विद्यालय और अन्य उच्चतर माध्यमिक विद्यालयों में राष्ट्रीय छात्रसेना के कैडिटों को गत वर्ष और इस वर्ष जरसी और जूते नहीं दिए गए;

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) क्या सरकार का विचार उनको शीघ्र जूते और जरसी दिलाने का है; और

(घ) क्या यह भी सच है कि अनेक अवसरों पर इन छात्रों को निर्धारित नाश्ता भी नहीं दिया गया और यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री मं० रं० कृष्ण) : (क) से (ग). गत वर्ष दिल्ली के सभी उच्चतर माध्यम शिक्षा स्कूलों के छात्रों को जूते और जरसियां प्राप्य की गई थीं । चालू वर्ष में सभी छात्रों को जरसियां वितरित की गई हैं । तदपि चमड़े के जूतों की प्राप्ति में विलम्ब के कारण कई यूनिटों को केन्वस के जूते वितरित करने पड़े थे ।

(घ) स्कूलों के छात्रों के लिए एन० सी० सी० में प्रात: का कलेवा प्रदान करने सम्बन्धी कोई उपबंध नहीं है । तदपि, परेडों में शामिल होने वाले छात्रों को जलपान प्रदान किया जाता है।

INCREASE IN PENSIONS OF EX-SERVICEMEN

5264. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the announcement of the Prime Minister about an *ad hoc* increase of Rs. 10/- to all pensioners of the Central Government including ex-Servicemen is being implemented by his Ministry;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether the Treasury offices throughout the country have been informed to make payments at the increased rate; and

(d) if so, whether Treasury Offices of Darbhanga and Madhubani in Bihar have not yet been so informed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA) :

(a) to (d). Orders have been issued in respect of all the three Defence Services making applicable to them the benefits announced by the Prime Minister. It is, however, understood that the Controller of Defence Accounts (Pensions), who is the pension sanctioning authority, has yet to issue instructions to the Treasury offices to make payments of pension at increased rates, pending certain clarifications which he has asked for from the Government. His reference is being attended to.

हिन्द महासागर में अड्डे स्थापित करने के लिए बड़े राष्ट्रों की भारत से प्रार्थना

5265. **श्री देवेन सेन** : क्या वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि कुछ बड़े राष्ट्रों ने सरकार से प्रार्थना की है कि वह मारिशस के प्रधान मंत्री की भारत यात्रा के दौरान उनसे प्रार्थना करें कि वह हिन्द महासागर में इन बड़े राष्ट्रों को अपने नौसैनिक अड्डे स्थापित करने में इन राष्ट्रों को अनुमति देने और इनकी सहायता करने के लिए मारिशस सरकार को मनाएं ।

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि मारिशस के प्रधान मंत्री ने इस बात को स्वीकार नहीं किया है; और

(ग) कुछ बड़े राष्ट्रों की उक्त प्रार्थना के बारे में भारत सरकार का क्या रवैया है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्र पाल सिंह) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग). प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

NEW PASSPORT OFFICES

5266. SHRI B. K. DASHCHOWDHURY : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have opened any new passport offices in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Two new offices have been opened at Chandigarh and Ahmedabad with effect from 3rd October, 1969. There have been demands for new Passport Offices in the States of Punjab and Gujarat as the existing five Regional Passport Offices were inadequate to cope with the needs of the travelling public. The Government had given an assurance that new Passport Offices would be opened to meet public demand. This assurance was extended by the Foreign Minister in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th June, 1967.

AGREEMENT WITH CAMBODIA FOR SUPPLY OF FIXED WHEEL GATES

5267. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any agreement signed between India and Cambodia in regard to the fixed wheel gates to be supplied to Cambodia; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Letters were exchanged on 17th December 1969 in Phnom Penh between the Indian Ambassador and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Royal Government of Cambodia under which the Government of India agreed to supply for the Prek Thnot project in Cambodia five sets of vertical lift fixed wheel gates including embedded parts, counter-weights, hoists and controls. The five fixed wheel gates and accessories are India's contribution to the Prek Thnot Project in Cambodia. The fixed wheel gates and accessories will be entirely of Indian manufacture and are valued at Rs. 15 lakhs. These are to be delivered to the Project authorities in Cambodia between 1st December 1970 and 1st May 1971.

मानव अधिकार आयोग द्वारा अरबों की दशा के बारे में जांच

5268. **श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी** : क्या वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मानव अधिकार आयोग की ओर से संयुक्त अरब गणराज्य ने एक अध्ययन दल नियुक्त किया है जो इसराइल में रहने वाले अरब राष्ट्रजनों पर इसराइलियों द्वारा किए जा रहे कथित अत्याचारों की जांच करेगा ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इसराइल सरकार ने उक्त अध्ययन दल को अपना सहयोग देने से इन्कार कर दिया है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या इसराइल सरकार ने इसके कोई कारण बताए हैं; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो क्या कारण बताए हैं ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह) : (क) संयुक्त राष्ट्र मानवाधिकार आयोग ने स्वयं ही इस मामले की जांच पड़ताल करने के लिए एक कार्यकारी दल नियुक्त किया है ।

(ख), (ग) और (घ). इसराइल की सरकार ने इस कार्यकारी दल के साथ सहयोग करने से इन्कार कर दिया है, क्योंकि वह इस मामले में दल की क्षमता और क्षेत्राधिकार को स्वीकार नहीं करती ।

EXPENSES ON PRIME MINISTER'S FAR EASTERN TOUR

5269. SHRI LOBO PRABHU : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total expenditure including the cost of plane seats in our planes, for the Prime Minister's Far Eastern Tour;

(b) whether the initiative for these tours come from our missions or the countries which the Prime Minister visited;

(c) the economic gains arising from the visits; and

(d) the amount spent on publicity in Japanese papers for the Prime Minister's visit ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Rs. 4,01,400 (Approximately).

(b) The Prime Minister's visits were at the invitations of the countries concerned.

(c) The economic gains arising from these visits cannot be immediately measured in quantitative terms, but such visits do help to strengthen, in all fields including the economic, our relations with the countries visited.

(d) The Government of India did not incur any expenditure on publicity in Japanese papers for the Prime Minister's visit.

FREE LEGAL AID TO DEFENCE PERSONNEL

5270. SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are persistent demands for free legal aid by Central Government to defence personnel against whom litigations are going on in courts;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government in the matter; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA) : (a) to (c). Government are aware of the problems experienced by service personnel and their families in this matter and the State Governments have been requested to provide free legal assistance to them, in cases where Government is not a party. Some State Goverments have made suitable provision for the purpose.

COMPLAINTS AGAINST DIRECTOR, ALL INDIA HANDLOOM FABRICS CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LIMITED

5271. SHRI GANESH GHOSH
SHRI B. MODAK
SHRI K. HALDAR
SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received complaints of corruption against the Director, All India Handloom Fabric Cooprative Society Ltd.;

(b) if so, the nature of such complaints; and

(c) the action, if any taken in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : (a) to (c). Government received some pseudonymous complaints of corruption against some of the Directors of the All India Handloom Fabric Cooperative Society Limited, but in the course of enquiry, the complaints were not proved.

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH NORTH VIETNAM

5272. SHRI KAMESHWAR SINGH :
SHRI GUNANAD THAKUR :
SHRI GHAYOOR ALI KHAN :
SHRI B. P. MANDAL :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are going to accord diplomatic relations at the Embassy level to the Government of North Vietnam;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the news of Quan Doi Nhan Dan, Hanoi, November 23, 1962 and other news concerning India; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) and (b). Government are considering how best expression can be given to the desire in the two countries to strengthen their relations.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Government feel that it is not possible for relations and attitudes to remain static for all time. However, all factors will be taken into account before any decision about the level of relations with the Government of North Vietnam is taken.

CORRECTION OF ANSWER TO UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 404 DATED 19-11-1969 *Re.* TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : In answer to parts (a) & (b) of the Unstarred Question No. 404 on the 19th November, 1969, the word 'Seven' may be substituted for 'eight' occurring in the first line of the reply and 'Sudan' occuring in the fourth line of the answer may kindly be deleted.

12.36 hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

REPORTED RESIGNATION OF TWO MORE DIRECTORS OF RESEARCH LABORATORIES UNDER C. S. I. R.

SHRI UMANATH (PUDUKKOTTAI) : Sir, I can call the attention of the Minister of Education and Youth Services to the following matter of urgent public importance and I request that he may make a statement thereon:—

> The serious situation arising out of the reported resignation of two more Directors of research laboratories under the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research.

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V. K. R. V. RAO) : The two Directors referred to in the Calling Attention Notice are Dr. H. A. B. Parpia, Director, Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysore and Shri G. S. Chowdhury, Director, Regional Research Laboratory, Bhubaneswar.

Shri Chowdhury was appointed as Director with effect from 15th June, 1964. He has been declared permanent in that post with effect from 6th May, 1965. Shri G. S. Chowdhury has recently submitted his resignation on personal grounds. This is under consideration. Shri Chowdhury met me on Thursday, the 18th of this month and requested that his resignation may be accepted. He mentioned to me that he wishes to go back to Hyderabad and attend to his family responsibilities. I suggested to him that he may think over the matter again and see if he could continue for at least two or three years.

Dr. Parpia was appointed as Director, Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysore, on contract basis for a period of six years which expired on 3rd November, 1969. Dr. Parpia has been asked to continue to perform the functions of the Director of the Institute till a decision is taken regarding his continuance or otherwise as Director.

Dr. H. A. B. Parpia has written to the President, CSIR, on 6th December, 1969, expressing his desire to resign. He has stated that it has become difficult for him to be effective as a result of conditions created by the C. S. I. R. Central Office.

Certain questions regarding the working of the Central Food Technological Research Institute, with special reference to the role of the Director in terms of his contribution as Scientist and as Administrator, had arisen. I have referred these matters to the Chairman of the Executive Council of the Central Food Technological Research Institute for an enquiry and assessment of Dr. Parpia's work. There has also been some investigation on Dr. Parpia by the Central Bureau of Investigation undertaken on their own. Their report has been received and is under examination.

I may also inform the House that the C. S. I. R. Inquiry Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri Justice A. K. Sarkar have also called for information regarding the appointment of Dr. Parpia and other matters.

Under the circumstances, it is not possible to take any immediate decision in regard to Dr. Parpia's letter of resignation.

SHRI RANJEET SINGH (Khalilabad) : At least get rid of him.

SHRI UMANATH : It is really a matter of deep concern for you as well as for this House.....

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : And for the Communist Party especially.

SHRI UMANATH : And not the Jan Sangh, of course.

....that a premier organisation, especially its headquarters laying down the overall policies for about 40 laboratories and institutions in our country should convert or reduce itself to a position where it has become really a cockpit of nepotism, despotism and witch-hunting. I have followed the hon. Minister's statement and I feel that either he has not seriously understood the depth of the crisis in that organisation or he has just taken the brief from the Director General and just, without going into the merits, read it.

Yesterday evening I got certain information that another Director by name Shri M. S. Iyengar, Director, Regional Research Laboratory, Jorhat, Assam, had resigned, and another Director, Dr. Naidu Ammal, Director, Leather Research Institute, Madras, out of discontent and disgust had applied for long leave. I am subject to correction about the second thing, but on the first thing my information is there.

I am also pained to find that the hon. Minister has raised a cloud of suspicion by referring to the C. B. I. inquiry against Dr. Parpia, because he is an eminent scientist, has got two degrees, apart from the other degrees, from two universities in the United States of America, and in fact when he earlier joined the C. S. I. R. and left it, he had a job in a private firm with a higher salary than what he was getting after

returning to the C. S. I. R., and he returned to the C. S. I. R.....

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : Was selling oranges.

SHRI UMANATH : You are going to sell rotten plaintains.

He resigned such a higher post only on the request of the late Prime Minister, Shri Jawaharlal Nehru, and joined a post with a lesser salary. I was pained to know that Dr. Rao was associating the C. b. I. inquiry with such an eminent scientist and was raising a cloud of suspicion. This was quite in contrast to his conduct the other day ——when Dr. Gill's question came up and the C. B. I. inquiry and harassment came up, he said that he was pained that such Directors were being harassed. What he has said today is in contrast to that, and I do not understand why.....

MR. SPEAKER : He may put his question.

SHRI UMANATH : I am putting these things because I want to know whether they are facts or not. The C. B. I. inquiry, I understand, is the usual *modus operandi* in that organisation to do away with Directors or scientific personnel whom Dr. Atma Ram or anybody in the top of that organisation does not want.

I understand that this particular C. B. I. inquiry which Dr. Rao referred to is not against Dr. Parpia as such; it is not also on scientific matters as such. It was on certain routine administrative matters for which there is the provision of administrative wing of officials under the head of one Under Secretary from Government itself, and if at all, in those routine matters, any irregularities are found, it will be that particular wing that would be responsible. I want to know from the hon. Minister whether it is a fact that the C. B. I. inquiry which was conducted has recognised this position which I have stated now. I also want to know this. Earlier when the inquiry was there, he was asked to go on compulsory leave during the inquiry, during the pendency of the inquiry, and I understand that on the Ministry's intervention and checking of the C. B. I. that there was nothing against him, he was asked not to go on leave as he was asked earlier. The hon. Minister has said in his statement that the C. B. I. inquiry was 'on their own'. It is like a lady protesting too much—I find the emphasis on 'on their own'. I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether it is not a fact that this particular C. B. I. inquiry was instigated by the headquarters of the C. S. I. R. especially by Dr. Atma Ram, Director-General there. Is it not a fact that an Assistant Director——I do not want to give the names but I have got all documentary proof with me——in that very institution had approached a retired employee to give false evidence againt Dr. Parpia before the C. B. I. officials promising him that he will get a job and re-employment in the C. S. I. R. ? It is on this basis these things have happened. I find that the very same Assistant Director——Dr. Rao need not smile though he does not know anything. I have got documentary evidence as well as oral evidence—I was shocked to hear because normally scientists emeritus are not appointed in the same institution where they retired as a matter of convention, that this particular Assistant Director who was employed by Dr. Atma Ram to prepare false evidence against Dr. Parpia, was appointed after retirement as scientist emeritus in the same institution to which the higher council of the CSIR in one of its meetings has taken objection. He was appointed not only as a reward but also to harass such eminent scientists like Dr. Parpia. I want to know the truth from the hon. Minister. Is it not also a fact that an administrative officer, an officer who has a very bad record, was appointed as the Administrative Officer against the views of the Director there, just to harass him and when Dr. Parpia's term was over, I was given to understand that the Administrative Officer wrote to the Director saying 'You should not sign any documents. You should not act as a Director. You should just take your salary.' This was the harassment that was going on. I mention just to verify the facts from the hon. Minister. This is the *modus operandi* againt many other Directors. Now, the number of directors who have resigned, has come to 7 out of the very few Directors we have got. One thing is proved. After all the matters said by the hon. Minister one thing is certain that the Director Genera

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MR. SPEAKER : You are entitled to ask two questions, but this is your seventh or eighth question.

SHRI UMANATH : After all the Minister has given an explanation of various resignations. One thing is certain namely that the present Director-General is not able to carry with him these Directors and other scientific personnel in the CSIR laboratories. That has been proved. That is why I want to make a suggestion to the hon. Minister. I am prepared to prove with documentary evidence as well as other evidence that there is nepotism in the headquarters, the policy of the headquarters and the conduct of the headquarters, particularly, the Director-General, is nepotism and running down the work done by the scientific personnel, obstructing indigenous research, to make way for foreign collaboration——I am making these charges with a full sense of responsibility——giving wrong and distorted information and unethical practices. In respect of all these charges against the Director-General which I have made here with a full sense of responsibility I am prepared to give documentary as well as other evidence. I want to know from the hon. Minister. I do not want him to refer to the Sarkar Committee. I understand from the members of the Sarkar Committee that this sort of enquiry on the present administration is not within their competence and is not within their terms of reference. In the meantime all the Directors are going out one by one. I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether he is prepared to refer these charges I have made which are leading to a brain drain from the CSIR, if not from the country, to an eminent scientist like Mr Narielwala, Mr. Satish Dhavan or Mr. K. T. Chandy who are very senior scientists in the country and whether he is prepared in the meantime to freeze all relevant files and if it is proved that the Director-General and the Secretary have been guilty of these charges, they must be sent out from the organization. I would like to know from the Minister if he is prepared to refer these charges to these persons or any other eminent person.

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : He has taken fourteen minutes on this question.

SHRI UMANATH : That is usual here.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : The hon. Member has asked me so many questions. He will forgive me if he finds that I have forgotten one or two of his questions. He can remind me if I forget. But he has asked so many questions, and I shall try my best to answer them one by one.....

SHRI UMANATH : He has mentioned so many points, and, therefore, I have to ask so many questions.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I thought mine was a very brief statement.

SHRI RABI RAY (Puri) : He had provoked him to put so many questions.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I want to assure my hon. friend that I am not in the habit of taking things given to me like that by anybody in my office, whether it be the Secretary or the DG. I can assure Shri Umanath that the number of hours that I have spent on this particular subject certainly will convince any hard-working member like Shri Umanath that I have not taken the papers from anybody.....

SHRI UMANATH : I shall convince him. Let him give me an opportunity.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : Regarding Dr. Iyengar, who he says has resigned.....

SHRI UMANATH : I did not say that he has resigned; I said that I got information.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : He says that he has got information that he has resigned. Up to this morning, up to yesterday's dak ——this morning's dak has not yet come to me——I have received no letter of resignation from him. I would also mention to Shri Umanath that Dr. Iyengar is expecting me in Jorhat in January where he has called a conference or a get-together of the tea planters, and I am going to go there and visit his laboratory. That letter still stands.

SHRI UMANATH : In the meantime, he may have reacted to the hon. Minister's statement in the Rajya Sabha.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : The hon. Member may have his own sources of information.

SHRI UMANATH : Certainly, I have my sources of information. I have everything in my possession.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I know that the hon. Member has his own individual sources of information I know that I am not arguing with him on that.

Regarding Dr. Nayudamma, I am rather surprised at his statement. Dr. Nayudamma is one of the most efficient and competent directors in the CSIR and he was present at the last meeting; I have not met him several times. At no stage has he told me that he wants to leave the institution. But, again, it may be that some letter may be there in today's dak; at any rate until Dr. Nayudamma's letter comes in today's dak, Shri Umanath, I hope, will have the goodness not to make any such statement in furture before referring it to me, and I am always prepared to give him the information that he wants.

Then, it has been stated that I tried to cloud the issue. I have nothing against Dr. Parpia. Dr. Parpia is a distinguished person. He comes from Bombay; I am mentioning this because I am rather allergic to Bombay having been educated in Bombay myself.

In the case of Dr. Gill, the position that I took was that Dr. Gill had written to me a most piteous letter saying that the C. B. I. or the police had invaded his house, surrounded it and made a big display and humiliated him and so on. That was the reason why I mentioned it, and that was why I had to mention the CBI's name here. I can assure Shri Umanath that it is not a question against the institute or against the administration.

I did not want to tell this House about the CBI report. But the CBI report has been received, and if the House wants to know, I can also tell the House that the CBI report has been referred to the Central Vigilance Commission. I did not want to say this, but since Shri Umanah is forcing the information from me, I may also tell the House that the CBI's report has gone against Dr. Parpia; they have found him guilty of certain charges, and it has been referred to the Central Vigilance Commission. I did not want to say all this, I can assure you, but I have been asked to do it; I am very anxious not to say anything in this House which will bring any discredit to any scientist. If somebody has done something wrong, the law will take its own course. Unfortunately, my hon. friend Shri Umanath in his over-anxiety, I am afraid, or his inadequate briefing has brought into this.....

SHRI UMANATH : No briefing. This is an insinuation I can also say that the hon. Minister has been briefed by Dr. Atma Ram. This is unfair in Parliament. Just as he has sources of information, we have also got sources of information. Why should he say that I have been briefed ?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I am sorry I did not know that I had used any wrong word ; I am not as good a student of English as my hon. friend is....

MR SPEAKER : 'Briefing' in a certain context is not a bad word. It is not somebody stating something against any body.....

SHRI UMANATH : I have not been briefed. I am working in this country and in this nation, and I go through the various documents and papers and other things, and I work on my own.

MR. SPEAKER : That does not mean that anybody has briefed him in his speech. Certainly, the information comes, and the hon. Members use it.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I thank you Sir. I am afraid there is a confusion in semantics. I thought that I knew English fairly well, but I bow to the superior knowledge of English of Shri Umanath.

SHRI RABI RAY : The hon. Minister is a professor, and the hon, Member knows it.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : In regard to Dr. Parpia, I did not want to say anything on the CBI inquiry. But when it is said that the CBI report was asked and the CBI had said nothing against him,——I did not want to bring all these unnecessary things up here, but since the Member has asked for it,—— I must say this that the CBI wanted him to go on leave; and then since we were asking the chairman of the executive council to go into the whole subject of the institute and Dr. Parpia, because his term was expiring and we wanted to take

[Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao]

a decision whether he should be continued for another six years or so, the chairman of the executive council requested me 'Please do not send him on leave; then it will not be possible for me to make my inquiry'; on that basis, we cancelled the orders for leave and permitted him to stay. It was not on the basis of the CBI telling us that the inquiry report was not against Dr Parpia; on the other hand, their contention was that it was against him, and the findings of the inquiry would be hampered by his continuing to stay there as director. There again, my hon. friend has not got his facts aright. I shall not say 'briefing', but evidently he may have got the wrong papers or the wrong documents or he may have been thinking of something else when he was perusing them.

SHRI UMANATH : I have got the right papers, and I have challenged him only on the basis of those papers.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I would like to know whether the hon. Member is challenging me in Dr. Parpia's case.

I know that the hon. Members are getting impatient, and I would like to complete my answer as quickly as possible.

About the question of Dr. Atma Ram and the various things about him and so on, as I told the other House the other day.....

MR. SPEAKER : I hope the hon. Minister will be very brief in his reply. The question may have been very long, and Members may have taken so much time, but the reply should be brief. It is no use taking so much time. We had dispensed with the Question Hour in order to save time, but we find that the whole of the Question Hour and also the time after that has been taken up by other motions and the calling-attention-notice and so on and then the privilege motions etc. will come up before the House, and this means that the House will not be able to finish the business before it. The CSIR is all the time on the head. Can he not make a final reply over it ?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I am very glad to be told that I need not answer all the various remarks that Shri Umanath has made. But it must not be understood that I did not answer them. I am trying to answer the points as briefly as possible.

Regarding the DG and whether the charges made against him will be referred to another separate body, I am not prepared to give any such assurance.

SHRI UMANATH : Not any charges; I was asking the hon. Minister whether he was referring my charges against the DG to any separate body for inquiry, that is, about those six points which I had mentioned.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I am talking of the same charges that Shri Umanath has made. He said that these should be referred not to the Sarkar Committee because he has heard from somebody that they are not competent to do this but they must be referred to somebody else. I have said that I am prepared to give no assurance that these charges will be referred to another body or any alternatives names that have been suggested.....

SHRI UMANATH : Why not ?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I have already told the other House that the charges made against Dr. Atma Ram will be referred to the Sarkar Committee; they will examine the terms of reference and find out if they are in a position to take it up themselves or not; after that, I shall take a decision on this subject, and I shall welcome a written communication from Shri Umanath.....

SHRI UMANATH : I can give him all this. Let him appoint a proper person for the inquiry.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : Why should he wait till then ? He can send it to me earlier.

SHRI BISHWANATH ROY (Deoria) : I want to make one submission. I want to ask one question, because this is something very important.....

MR. SPEAKER : The hon. Member may resume his seat. He knows that under the rules, he is not entitled to ask any question on this calling-attention-notice.

SHRI VIDYA DHAR BAJPAI *rose*——

MR. SPEAKER : The hon. Member may kindly sit down. Hon. Members must be aware of this that time and again I have informed the House that only those Members can ask questions whose names are there on the notice.

SHRI VIDYA DHAR BAJPAI (Amethi) : This is an important matter, and I want to say something on this calling-attention-notice.....

MR. SPEAKER : I am sorry. The hon. Member may resume his seat. Shri S. Kundu.

SHRI S. KUNDU (Balasore) : It is most unfortunate that the CSIR has become a centre of all sorts of dirty intrigue, clique and mud-slinging among scientists, in which the politicians have also been involved No purposive research is being done as was intended. This is indeed a shocking matter.

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The whole trouble about the CSIR is that two groups of scientists, one owing allegiance to the former Director General and the other owing allegiance to Dr. Atma Ram, have almost started a cold war. The Education Minister is just abetting this cold war by being a mere onlooker in a boxing match and thereby encouraging both the parties to go in a spree of free boxing. He is not going into the details of the trouble. I do not want to go into the details. Still I hold there are some scientists of great character and integrity in this orgainisation. But I want to ask a few questions.

MR. SPEAKER : Ask a question, not a few.

SHRI S. KUNDU : Yes. The hon. Minister cannot mislead this House by saying that the CSIR matter is being inquired into by the Sarkar Committee. This is not a fact. The Committee is inquiring into certain individual allegations made in this House about the appointment of certain scientists. How does he say that this will be gone into by the Committee ? It is most unfortunate that he should say so when he can find out for himself from the terms of reference of the Committee what the actual position is, whether their terms of reference cover this aspect. I ask this question : when there have been allegations and counter-allegations by the scientists in the CSIR, whether the whole matter of the working of the CSIR will be referred to the Sarkar Committee for a detailed investigation ? This is one question.

MR. SPEAKER : That is enough; I am not going to allow more than one question.

SHRI S. KUNDU : I am not going into the merits of what Dr. Parpia has alleged. But he has said two very important things. One is that a certain memorandum which was given to the Education Minister was not attended to and, therefore, it created a demoralising effect among the scientists. Is this true ? Is it true that a certain scientist removed from the Laboratory on a specific allegation in 1963 was reappointed after the Education Minister came ?

Then about the Director of the Bhubaneswar Laboratory, Shri Chowdhury, he said that on personal grounds he resigned. Did the Minister ask him on what personal grounds he resigned ? What are the real reasons ? I know that for years the CSIR is holding up certain schemes forwarded by the Orissa Government *i.e.*, by the IDC, and it is not being finalised. I have written to the Minister about the low carbonisation plant. The CSIR is examining it. Why it takes years to finalise a scheme, I want specific answers to these questions.

श्री विद्याधर वाजपेयी : स्पीकर साहब, एक बहुत इम्पार्टेंट सवाल मुझे करना है.....

अध्यक्ष महोदय : इसमें इसका रूल है कि आप पूछ नहीं सकते जब तक आपका नाम उसमें न हो । मैं मजबूर हूं ।

श्री विद्याधर वाजपेयी : मुझे पूछने का अधिकार है, नाम हो या न हो, मैं भी इस हाउस का मेम्बर हूं । मुझे बोलने न दिया जाए, तो यह तो बड़ी ज्यादती है ।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : क्या किया जाए ? रूल नहीं है ।

श्री विद्याधर वाजपेयी : मैं नाम भी देता हूं तो आप के पास तक नहीं पहुंचता है । मैं बहुत कम बोलता हूं । इस पर एक बहुत इम्पार्टेंट सवाल पूछना चाहता हूं कि सी० वी० आई० को रेफर करते हैं तो सी० वी० आई० किस तरह से एन्क्वायरी कर रहा है यह भी देखते हैं ? वह प्रलोभन देता है और रिश्वत देता है, मेरे पास लेटर है... (**व्यवधान**)...साइंटिस्ट्स के साथ इस

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तरह का व्यवहार बहुत बड़ी ज्यादती है।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : मैं जरूर आप को मौका देता, लेकिन रूल्स आप के हाउस के बनाए हुए हैं।

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I do not think I shall say anything about my being an onlooker in a boxing match and so on. As regards the role of the Sarkar Committee, I want to tell him that the Committee's terms of reference are not merely to inquire into certain personnel policies. I invite attention to item 3 of the terms of reference.

> "To review the overall functioning of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research and to suggest ways and means of improving it."

Therefore, when the Sarkar Committee on which hon. Members of this House are also represented——

SHRI S. KUNDU : It does not mean this allegation. Can you not understand ? I do not understand why he brings in this overall functioning and so on. There were various allegations and counter-allegations by the scientists. Let him not again mislead.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : Sir, I am sorry I take exception to what he says. I do not say, "Strong exception" because he is a good friend of mine. Now, first of all, he said this Committee was only enquiring into personnel policies. I wish to say that the Committee is not only enquiring into the personnel policies but it has been asked to enquire into the whole organisation of the CSIR, about enquiring into the allegations, in so far as the allegations form part of the personnel policies, I suppose they will also enquire into those allegations.

Then, the hon. Member talked about some memorandum which has been given to me and which has not been attended to and so on. I do not know what is the memorandum he is referring to. If he refers to some press report, I would like him to tell me; I would like him to tell me what is the memorandum which has not been attended to by me. Then, I can give him satisfaction.

SHRI S. KUNDU : Newspaper report.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : Mr. Speaker, you will remember that once in this House, on the basis of a newspaper report, an esteemed colleague of mine was credited with having a second wife. At that time, your predecessor in office ruled——

SHRI PILOO MODY (Godhra) : A very pleasant thing.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : It may be so for you. At that time, your predecessor gave a ruling that if hon. Members put a question or make some observation in this House merely on the basis of a newspaper report, it would not be proper. Therefore, I cannot merely go on on the basis of an unfounded newspaper report.

Then, the hon. Member said another thing. I do not understand it. He said somebody who was removed was reappointed during the time of the present Education Minister. That is totally wrong. He is probably making a reference to an administrative officer in the Mysore Institute who is not on good terms with the Director. This gentleman was appointed two years ago. In fact, now, I am bringing up the case before the Transfer Committee : he is being transferred from there. Therefore, the facts are exactly the opposite of what my hon. friend has told the House.

Then, regarding Mr. G. S. Choudhury and why he resigned. Actually, there was a meeting in Delhi on the 18th. After that, I took him to my house and asked him, "Please tell me why you want to resign." He told me that his son has just returned from the United States; that he has got a high mechanical engineering degree. He has got some business already; he is a man of some substance. He is 52 or 53. He wants to start business along with his son. That is the reason why he wants to regisn. This is what he told me. If he has told something else to the hon. Member, I am not responsible.

श्री विद्याधर वाजपेयी : अध्यक्ष महोदय, अगर आप सिर्फ दो मिनट मुझे इजाजत दें तो यह मामला इतना साफ हो जाता है कि एक रिटायर्ड डायरेक्टर को सी० बी० आई० के इंसपैक्टर जनरल आफ पुलिस ने प्रलोभन दिया कि अगर तुम यह बयान

दे दो तो हम तुम को रिएम्प्लाय कर देंगे। यह है सी० वी० आई० की एन्क्वायरी जिस पर मंत्री महोदय निर्भर करते हैं और विश्वास करते हैं। यह इस बात का प्रमाण है कि साइंटिस्ट्स के साथ किस तरह ज्यादती होती है डायरेक्टर जनरल की धांधली के कारण ।

SHRI K. RAMANI (Coimbatore) : Sir, the CSIR, and its laboratories are in a very serious crisis, and there are very eminent scientists working there; they are very hardworking and genuine scientists, and most of them are getting demoralised and one after another they are resigning and going out. They want to get out of these institutes. Such a position has developed. Why this is happening is, it was said that the functioning and the whole set-up have completely gone wrong now. The governing body, the highest body of this organisation, used to meet once in six months formerly. Now, it has met only three times during the past two and a half years.

Another thing is, before the governing body meets, it used to meet the board on which all the directors were there to consult them (*Interruption*)

MR. SPEAKER : Put a question only.

SHRI K. RAMANI : I am not going to take as much time as the other hon. Members took. They used to meet in order to take them into confidence as to what projects and what items were going to be placed before the governing body meeting. In such a way the meetings were conducted, but that has been given up completely now. Moreover, eight of the directors were removed from the Board of Directors and some other are also going. Because of all these activities, they are getting demoralised further and further.

Also, from the central office now they have been issuing statements after statements, attacking their own directors and also praising the Director-General. Such kind of partisan statements against their own directors and employees are being issued time after time. That is going on.

Then, a number of good inventions and achievements——

MR. SPEAKER : Order, order. My only mistake was that I allowed Mr. Umanath much more time than he could get, and the result is, everybody is following him. I do not want that to be followed as a precedent.

SHRI UMANATH : Long before me, other hon. Members took much time.

MR. SPEAKER : Please ask only one question.

SHRI K. RAMANI : Even if that was a mistake, the hon. Member has talked of many things and that is good for our country and for the House. I am not going to take much time compared to others.

MR. SPEAKER : Please ask a question.

SHRI K. RAMANI : I am coming to my question. Because of these happenings, a number of projects and inventions found out by many eminent scientists are put in cold storage. These things are not utilised. Then, how can they be expected to put in sincere work ? They will be forced to resign and go out. In such a situation, I want to know what action the Government is taking to see that the Governing Body meets once or twice in a year as it used to do before, and also that before the Governing Body meets, the meeting of the Board of Directors takes place so that they can put forth their opinion and put their opinions before the Governing Body. What action is the Government going to take to see that the demoralisation is not further spread among the employees and also the subordinates which is the case today ? What action, what prompt action is the Government going to take ? I want to know it from the Government.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : As far as the first question of the hon. Member is concerned, there is no doubt that there is a great deal of dissatisfaction with the working of the CSIR. This subject has been discussed in Parliament for quite a long time. It was as a result of this dissatisfaction that a Committee was appointed under Mr. Justice Sarkar including representatives of the Members of Parliament to enquire into the entire overall organisation as well as the various allegations, personnel policies, and so on. That Committee was appointed

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in June, 1968. We are now in December, 1969. The Committee is taking its own time because it is a very conscientious Committee; they want to take all the details and so on; we have not yet received any report from them. Therefore, I cannot appoint another Committee again when a Committee is already there to go into the whole question of the CSIR.

Regarding the second point raised by the hon. Members, about the directors, that they were formerly consulted and they are not being consulted, now, the hon. Membrer will be glad to know that all the directors are in Delhi today in order to discuss the fourth Plan programme. I would also like to tell him that before the next Governing Body meeting, I have directed all the directors should be called and they will be meeting one day before that. Both these things are done. Therefore, the directors are not in the picture.

Then, regarding the question about statement against directors and statements in favour of the Director-General, I have issued no statements either against the directors or in favour of the Director-General. Even in this House, I make no statements; only when I am driven by questions, I have to answer them.

AN HON. MEMBER *rose*—

MR. SPEAKER Order, order. I am not going to tolerate this.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : Lastly, the hon. Member referred to a number of inventions and projects as being under cold storage. That is not the information that I have.

SHRI P. GOPALAN (Tellicherry) : Sir, while replying to a Calling Attention on the same subject in the other House, the Minister is reported to have taken very serious objection to the conduct of some of the directors in going to the press on this matter.

SHRI THIRUMALA RAO (Kakinada) : Sir, it has been an accepted convention and practice that anything that has happened in the other House should not be referred to here. (*Interruptions*)

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श्री राम सेवक यादव (बाराबंकी) : वह तो सिर्फ बयान के बारे में रेफर कर रहे हैं, उस पर उन्हें एतराज है, यह क्या बात है ? वह तो जायज बात कह रहे हैं, लेकिन ये ख्वामख्वाह इसको उठा रहे हैं।

MR. SPEAKER : Order, order. I know much more than the hon. member. I am really wondering all the time how many things take place which go to waste the time rather than save the time of the House. We dispensed with Question hour to save time. Till now we have only disposed of 3 short notice questions and we are on the Calling Attention. We dispensed with the lunch hour and this hour also is being taken up by these things. God help us. How can we get through the list of business if we go on like this ? The hon. member may be brief in his question.

SHRI P. GOPALAN : When the Minister deprecated the conduct of some of the Directors in issuing statements to the press and stated that he is put in an awkward position here and the Director General also is put in an awkward position, an impression is created that the Directors are responsible for the entire state of mess in the CSIR. I want to know from the Minister whether he is aware of the fact that it was the same Director General, Dr. Atma Ram, who first issued a press hand-out in 1967 which was used for self-advertising, praising himself and claiming himself to be a true disciple of Dr. Meghnad Saha and a lieutenant of Dr. Bhatnagar and in which he also said that after his becoming the chief of this institution, a new era has dawned in scientific research in this country. Is the minister aware that in the very same statement, Dr. Atma Ram has very bitterly criticised some of the directors in general saying that they are practising corruption and mismanagement and specially accusing them of incompetence ? When the minister was so much upset by the press statement issued by some of the directors, why did he fail to see the two statements issued by Dr. Atma Ram one in 1967 and another recently in June 1969 ? I want to know specifically whether any other previous D. G. resorted to this unethical practice of going to the press. (*Interruptions*). This very Director General,

Dr. Atma Ram, instead of promoting scientific research in our country is specialising in the research of vilification and character assassination and after his assuming office, the relations between the officers in CSIR organisations have deteriorated and an anarchical and chaotic condition is prevailing in the CSIR institutions. In view of all these, may I know whether this gentleman will be removed from his post, because he is unfit for this post on account of his outmoded viewpoints ?

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE (Kanpur) : Is there any *atma* left in him ?

MR. SPEAKER : I am sorry, I have to leave the chair to receive the Nepalese delegation.

13·2 Hrs.

[MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : The hon. Member was correct in saying that speaking in the other House I deprecated directors of scientific laboratories issuing press statements on the problems concerning the laboratories, the relations with the central office and so on, because I think it becomes very difficult for any organisation to function in such an atmosphere. If there is something wrong, there are normal channels and complaints can be made. As a matter of fact, all complaints are now possibly investigated by a very important committee, including Members of Parliament. Now, when press statements are made by directors, I think it makes matters more difficult, both for the Minister as well as for the executive head of the organisation. But I do not agree with my hon. friend that this has created an impression that all the troubles have been created by the directors. I have got the full proceedings here. If the hon. Member has carefully gone through that, I have also stated that I am aware of the fact that there is considerable resentment against Dr. Atma Ram. I am finding out whether the Sarkar Committee terms of reference will permit them to go into this. They are already enquiring into many other things. I will find out whether they can enquire into this also. Therefore, I am afraid the hon. Member has got a wrong impression from what I have stated in the other House.

SHRI UMANATH : He further stated that Dr. Atma Ram was the first person to go to the press. Is it true ?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : Why should he be impatient ? When I have answered all his questions, why should he think that I will treat his colleague with less courtesy ? In fact, I will be more courteous to him because he does not belong to Tiruchinapalli..... (*interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : A lot of time has been spent on this. Let us not spend more time. I would appeal to the Minister also not to get provoked but to pay attention to the questions which are asked.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : All right, Sir. In the light of what you have stated, I will categorically answer this question. If there are charges against Dr. Atma Ram, those charges will have to be investigated according to the accepted procedures and processes and no person can be dismissed or sent out unless he is found guilty by the duly competent authority. Under the circumstances, I am afraid I cannot satisfy my hon. friend by telling him that Dr. Atma Ram will be sent out.

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : Shri Umanath has already referred to the point that there is nepotism and favouritism. But it started not with Dr. Atma Ram but with the previous Director-General. His very appointment itself was due to nepotism, casteism, communalism, favouritism and Statism. After this, the appointment of Dr. Parpia, an eminent scientist, was referred to. His eminence is that he was a sales officer in a private fruit and orange squash selling company called Kisan Products. From the wonderful Kisan Products he was picked up and appointed as a director in the CSIR. If that is not nepotism, if that is not favouritism, what is it ? Now, every single questioner has lashed out at the Minister. I would request the Minister to make clear certain points. I would ask him only one question. I hope he will make it clear as to whether he has any authority over the CSIR.

Who is this so-called President of the CSIR ? What is the President of the CSIR doing ? Who makes the appointments—

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whether it is the Minister or the President of the CSIR ? He must clarify these points and only then the House will be clear as to what is happening in the CSIR.

Then, my hon. friend, Shri Umanath alluded to the statement of these directors to the press. I would like to know whether it is not a fact that the Sarkar Committee had called for the papers of the seven directors and that they were under a shadow. Is it also not a fact that against most of those who have resigned and some others who came to meet the Minister, nine of them, there is a CBI inquiry going on ?

We would also like the Minister to enlighten us more about Dr. Parpia's experience and about the experience and qualifications of some others. There is one B. Sc., who was appointed as Director, CSIR..... *(interruption)*

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Please do not go into the details.

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : Now it is hurting them. I am bringing out certain facts and it is paining them.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : You are to elicit information from the hon. Minister.

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : Would the Minister also clarify as to what was the result of his talks with the nine directors who came to meet him ? Was any substance found in their allegations ?

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : Regarding Dr. Parpia, I strongly deprecate the language which has been used by the hon. Member in describing him. I do not know whether he was selling orange squash or not.

SHRI PILOO MODY : Are you fond of orange squash ?

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : It is time for beer now, not orange squash.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I am not a Major, either retired or serving in the Army.

SHRI RABI RAY : You are a retired professor.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I am not a retired professor; I am professor emeritus. Tomorrow if I leave this job, I can go back to my professorship..... *(interruption)*.

I want to tell the hon. Member that Dr. Parpia is B. Sc. (Honours), First Class, from Bombay, Master of Science (Food Technology) from the Oregon State University and the University of California (1948), and Ph. D. (Food Technology) of Oregon University (1951). He has got excellent academic qualifications and I very much regret that my very good friend, Major Ranjeet Singh, should have suggested that the man had no academic qualifications.

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : I said, he had no experience.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : I am glad that the hon. Member has raised the question about the CSIR because it has a rather peculiar constitutional position. The CSIR is a registered society, the control of which vests in the governing body of the society. The President of the society is the Prime Minister. The Vice-President of the society, *ex-officio*, is the Minister under whose portfolio comes the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research. That is how I am the Vice-President of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research.

SHRI TENNETI VISWANATHAM (Visakhapatnam): On a point of order, Sir. Just now he has said that the Vice-President is *ex officio* the Minister. Is that so or is the Minister *ex officio* Vice-President ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : There is no point of order.

DR. V. K. R. V. RAO : As far as appointments and termination of services of directors are concerned, the Vice-President does not have the authority either to appoint or to dismiss a director.

Regarding the question of seven directors, to which Major Ranjeet Singh has made a reference, the Sarkar Committee has called for papers of practically all the directors in some connection or the other. I would, therefore, not like to single out any of these directors.

13.30 Hrs.

APOLOGY BY S. D. M., NEW DELHI ARREST OF MEMBERS

MR. DEPUTY-SPEKAER : I have to inform the House that I have received the

following communication, dated the 23rd December, 1969, from the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Parliament Street, New Delhi:—

"I have the honour to inform you that in my four communications, dated the 22nd December, 1969, intimating the arrest of Sarvashri J. H. Patel, Janeshwar Misra, Madhu Limaye and Arjun Singh Bhadoria, Members, Lok Sabha under Section 188, Indian Penal Code, I had mentioned that they were later produced before a Magistrate. At the time, I wrote out my communications, I expected that they would be produced within a short while before a Magistrate. However, due to certain difficulties, they could only be produced much later. Therefore, the information about their appearance before a Magistrate was not in accordance with the facts. I tender an unqualified apology for having furnished incorrect information and request that I may be forgiven for this error."

SOME HON. MEMBERS *rose*—

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : All of you please sit down. Let me hear one by one. Shri S. M. Banerjee.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE (Kanpur) : On a point of order, Sir. You may kindly read the rules regarding the arrest of Members and information given to the Lok Sabha. The question arose when the late lamented Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia was arrested. At that time, we had a full-fledged discussion and there was a much heated discussion in the House that these Magistrates treat the Members of Parliament so shabbily. This is not the only instance. When Shri Indrajit Gupta and myself were arrested and detained in Jamshedpur.....

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Kindly be brief.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : I have not spoken today, Sir.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : There are many other items today to be disposed of.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : Sir, when Shri Indrajit Gupta and myself were detained, no intimation was sent. In that case also, the Magistrate tendered an unqualified apology. Now, in this case, when these four Members of Parliament were detained, the Magistrates were available– in the city of New Delhi, the Magistrates are available ---and this is how the Members were treated. This is a very serious matter. A mere apology will not help. My point of order is that a mere apology is not enough and that this matter should be referred to the Privileges Committee.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : This is not a point of order; it is only a suggestion.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : My second point is much more vital than that. Yesterday, when the hon. Speaker called a meeting of the leaders of various parties, including the Members of the Business Advisory Committee, this matter was referred to. In that meeting, it was said that Section 144 should not be promulgated in the vicinity of the Parliament House and that it should be removed. The people should be allowed to come here. This is the House of the People. It is most unfortunate that the people are not allowed to come here. Let Section 144 be removed for all time to time.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : All these are suggestions. Now, Shri Madhu Limaye.

श्री मधु लिमये (मुंगेर) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, सब से पहले मैं प्रक्रिया का सवाल उठाना चाहता हूं। आज आखिरी दिन है और मेरा खयाल है कि सदन की मर्यादा भंग के कई सवाल आपके सामने हैं। आप किन सवालों को प्रथम लेंगे और इसको कब लेंगे क्या इसके बारे में आप ने कोई निर्णय किया है?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I am not taking up the question of privilege just now. If you want to raise a privilege issue, you may do it separately.

श्री मधु लिमये : मैं प्रोसीजर का सवाल उठा रहा हूं।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : This is only in connection with the communication received from the Sub-Divisional Magistrate.

श्री मधु लिमये : इस के बारे में अर्ज करता हूं कि इस में दो सवाल उठते हैं।

[श्री मधु लिमये]

एक तो यह कि आप को जो जानकारी दी गई वह समय पर दी गई या नहीं। समय के बारे में कोई गलत-बयानी की गई है या नहीं, जिस के बारे में उन्होंने खेद प्रकट किया है। दूसरा सवाल उठता है कि जो जानकारी दी गई है वह सही है या नहीं, यानी कंटेंट्स के बारे में। मेरी अर्ज यह है कि कंटेंट्स के बारे में भी गलत बयानी हुई है। आप उस को इस वक्त उठाने देंगे या नहीं?

श्री रवि राय (पुरी) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं अध्यक्ष महोदय से मिला था और इस समय उन की इजाजत से बोल रहा हूं। गृह मंत्री के खिलाफ मेरा विशेषाधिकार का सवाल है उस पर तो आप बाद में निर्णय देंगे। इस समय मैं यह सवाल उठा रहा हूं कि यह मेम्बरों के बुनियादी अधिकार का सवाल है, जनतन्त्र का सवाल है, जनसाधारण के बुनियादी अधिकार का सवाल है और सारी सिविल लिबर्टी का सवाल है। 22 तारीख को जब हमारे दल के चार सदस्य लोक सभा के, श्री मधु लिमये, श्री अर्जुन सिंह भदौरिया, श्री जनेश्वर मिश्र और जे० एच० पटेल लोक सभा अटेंड करने के लिये आ रहे थे तब रास्ते में उन को रोका गया। जब श्री जनेश्वर मिश्र ने अपना आइडेंटिटी कार्ड पुलिस को दिया तब उन को डंडा मारा गया जिस को आप देख सकते हैं।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Please listen. Do not convert it into a discussion. The statement is before the House. Whatever other actions are to be taken over the statement, it will be for the House to decide ....(*Interruption*).

श्री मधु लिमये : आप को कालिंग अटेंशन के बाद प्रिविलेज को लेना चाहिये।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : For privilege motion, you will have to give proper notice.

SHRI RABI RAY : I have given. It is there.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : If it is there, the Speaker will have to decide.....

श्री रवि राय : हम ने स्पीकर साहब से कहा था कि यह बहुत महत्वपूर्ण सवाल है। आज दो तरह की चीजें चल रही हैं। जब प्रधान मंत्री की तारीफ करने के लिये कोई जुलूस आयेगा तो उस को पार्लियामेंट हाउस के सामने तक आने दिया जायेगा, लेकिन जब प्रधान मंत्री के खिलाफ, उन की तानाशाही के खिलाफ, उन की डिक्टेटरशिप के खिलाफ कोई सवाल उठाया जायेगा तब उन आदमियों को नहीं आने दिया जायेगा। पांच हजार विद्यार्थी देश भर से आये थे विद्यार्थियों की बुनियादी मांग को ले कर, बेकारी के सवाल को ले कर और दूसरे सवालों को लेकर। उन को नही आने दिया गया। जब इस तरह से दो प्रकार की चीजें चलेंगी तब प्रजातन्त्र कैसे आगे बढ़ेगा? वह बहुत महत्वपूर्ण सवाल है। मैं आप से विनती करूंगा कि आप खुद इस के बारे में जांच कीजिये। धारा 144 को हटाने के लिये दो तीन संसद् सदस्यों की कमेटी मुकर्रर कीजिये ताकि वह बतला सकें कि संसद्-सदस्यों के बुनियादी अधिकारों की रक्षा कैसे की जाये। एक तरफ गांधीजी की आरती उतारना और दूसरी तरफ जिन सिविल लिबर्टीज के लिये गांधीजी काम करते थे उन पर अमल न करना सरकार को शोभा नहीं देता। आप गृह मंत्री से कहें कि आगामी बजट सत्र में वह धारा 144 को हटाने के बारे में प्रबन्ध करें।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Mr. Jyotirmoy Basu.....

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU (Diamond Harbour) : With the consent of the Speaker.....

SOME HON. MEMBERS. *rose*

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Why are so many hon. members on their legs ? Mr.

Ram Sewak Yadav and Mr. Janeshwar Misra belong to the SSP. From SSP, Mr. Limaye has already spoken; Mr. Rabi Ray has also spoken. I cannot allow any more. If Mr. Yadav also wants to speak, where do we land ? How do we dispose of the business ?

श्री जनेश्वर मिश्र (फूलपुर) : मैं तो इस में मुल्जिम हूं। मुझ को इजाजत देनी चाहिये।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : No, no. I request the hon. Member to co-operate.

Mr. Jyotirmoy Basu.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : With the consent of the Speaker, I make a reference to the following.....

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The hon. Member is raising something defferent. I thought he wanted to speak on this.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : I wanted to.....

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : That would be done at the appropriate time.

श्री रवि राय : श्री चह्वाण की पुलिस ने उन्हें मारा है।

DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH (Buxar) : The practice of sending information to the Speaker in regard to arrest or curtailment of the right of members arose from the fact that there should not be any reckless or intentional arrest or any curb on the freedom of the members. As he has pointed out, certain processions are allowed to come upto the gate of the Parliament House whereas some others are prevented. Here Mr. Misra had been beaten and he was showing his finger to every one. There should be a uniform practice. One procession during this session was allowed to come here whereas four or five members were arrested the day before yesterday. This is not the correct practice.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Please bear with me for a minute. Kindly listen to me for a minute. I am not disputing anything that the Members have submitted. I have said all these as submissions. It is for the House to discuss and decide.

SOME HON. MEMBERS : When ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : It is upto the House to decide.

SHRI MADHU LIMAYE : This is the proper time.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA (Delhi Sadar) : On a point of order, Sir.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : There is no point of order when I am speaking. My only submission is that I have informed the House what the Judicial Magistrate has intimated. If the House wants to have a discussion about it, it can only be at the appropriate time and not now.

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS *rose.* (*Interruptions*).

SHRI MADHU LIMAYE : I have a point of order under Rule 225.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Papers to be laid.

13.41 hrs.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

NOTIFICATION AND PAPERS UNDER COMPANIES ACT, 1956

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RAGHUNATHA REDDY) : On behalf of SHRI F. A. AHMED, I beg to lay on the Table—

(1) A copy of Notification No. G.S.R. 2707 published in Gazette of India dated the 6th December, 1969 declaring M/s. Bangalore Cantonment Rama Vilas Nidhi Ltd. to be a 'Nidhi' under sub-section (3) of section 620A of the Companies Act, 1956. [*Placed in Library See* No. LT-2474/69.]

(2) A copy each of the following papers under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956 :—

(i) Review by the Government on the working of the Cement Corporation of India Limited, New Delhi for the year 1968-69.

(ii) Annual Report of the Cement Corporation of India Limited, New Delhi for the year 1968-69 along with the Audited Accounts and

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the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2475/69.]

CERTIFIED ACCOUNTS OF THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, KHARAGPUR

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V. K. R. V. RAO) : I beg to lay on the Table—

(*i*) A copy of the Certified Accounts of the Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur, for the year 1967-68 along with the Audit Report thereon, under sub-section (4) of section 23 of the Institutes of Technology Act, 1961.

(*ii*) A statement showing reasons for delay in laying the above Accounts.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2476/69.]

CORRECTION OF ANSWER TO USQ No. 1585, DATED 31-7-69 AND CINEMATOGRAPH (CENSORSHIP) FIFTH AMENDMENT RULES, 1969

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SATYA NARAYAN SINHA) : I beg to lay on the Table—

(1) A statement correcting the answer given on the 31st July, 1969 to Unstarred Question No. 1585 by Shri Sheo Narain regarding film directed by a producer of T.V. Centre. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2477/69.]

(2) A copy of the Cinematograph (Censorship) Fifth Amendment Rules, 1969 (Hindi and English versions) published in Notification No. G.S.R. 2536 in Gazette of India dated the 1st November, 1969, under sub-section (3) of section 8 of the Cinematograph Act, 1952. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2478/69.]

REPORTS ON GANGES WATER POLLUTION AND ON LOCATING OF AN ADDITIONAL REFINERY IN ASSAM

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS (SHRI D. R. CHAVAN) : I beg to lay on the Table—

(1) A copy of the Report of the Commission of Inquiry on Ganges Water Pollution. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2479/69.]

(2) A copy of the Report of the Experts' Committee constituted by the Government of India to study and report on the Techno-Economic feasibility of locating additional refining capacity in Assam. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2480/69.]

ANNUAL REPORT ETC. OF HINDUSTAN STEEL LTD., RANCHI

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : I beg to lay on the Table a copy each of the following papers under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956 :—

(*i*) Review by the Government on the working of the Hindustan Steel Limited, Ranchi, for the year 1968-69.

(*ii*) Annual Report of the Hindustan Steel Limited, Ranchi, for the year 1968-69 along with the Audited Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2481/69.]

STATEMENTS SHOWING ACTION TAKEN ON ASSURANCES, ETC.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : On behalf of SHRI K. RAGHURAMAIAH, I beg to lay on the Table following statements showing the action taken by Government on various assurances, promises and undertakings given by the Ministers during the various sessions of Fourth Lok Sabha :—

(*i*)	Supplementary Statement No. II.	Eighth Session, 1969.
(*ii*)	Supplementary Statement No. XII.	Seventh Session, 1969.
(*iii*)	Supplementary Statement No. VIII.	Sixth Session, 1968.

(*iv*) Supplementary Statement No. XV. Fifth Session, 1968.

(*v*) Supplementary Statement No. XXI. Fourth Session, 1968.

(*vi*) Supplementary Statement No. XVI. Third Session, 1967.

(*vii*) Supplementary Statement No. XXIII. Second Session, 1967.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2482/69.]

NOTIFICATION *Re.* M/s. RANIPET DINASEKHARA NIDHI LTD., ARCOT

SHRI RAGHUNATHA REDDY : I beg to lay on the Table :—

(*i*) A copy of Notification No. G.S.R. 1466 published in Gazette of India dated the 21st June, 1969 declaring M/s. Ranipet Dinasekhara Nidhi Ltd., Arcot, Madras to be a 'Nidhi', under sub-section (3) of section 620A of the Companies Act, 1956.

(*ii*) A statement showing reasons for delay in laying the above Notification.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2483/69.]

NOTIFICATIONS UNDER CENTRAL EXCISE RULES, 1944 ETC., ETC.

SHRI P. C. SETHI : I beg to lay on the Table—

(1) A copy each of the following Notifications issued under the Central Excise Rules, 1944 :—

(*i*) G.S.R. 2273 (Hindi Version) published in Gazette of India dated the 6th December, 1969 together with an explanatory memorandum.

(*ii*) G.S.R. 2730 (Hindi and English versions) published in Gazette of India dated the 6th December, 1969 together with an explanatory memorandum.

(*iii*) G.S.R. 2732, G.S.R. 2733 and G.S.R. 2734 (Hindi and English versions) published in Gazette of India dated the 6th December, 1969 together with an explanatory memorandum.

(*iv*) G.S.R. 2751 (Hindi and English versions) published in Gazette of India dated the 13th December, 1969 together with an explanatory memorandum.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2484/69.]

(2) A copy each of the following Notification (Hindi and English versions) under section 159 of Customs Act, 1962 and section 38 of the Central Excises and Salt Act, 1944 :—

(*i*) The Customs and Central Excise Duties Export Drawback (General) Forty-second Amendment Rules, 1969, published in Notification No. G.S.R. 2749 in Gazette of India dated the 13th December, 1969.

(*ii*) The Customs and Central Excise Duties Export Drawback (General) Forty-third Amendment Rules, 1969, published in Notification No. G.S.R. 2750 in Gazette of India dated the 13th December, 1969.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2485/69.]

(3) A copy of Notification No. G.S.R. 2752 (Hindi and English versions) published in Gazette of India dated the 10th December, 1969, under section 159 of the Customs Act, 1962, together with an explanatory memorandum.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2486/69.]

(4) A copy of Notification No. R.B.I. 1 (Hindi and English versions) published in Gazette of India dated the 6th December, 1969 making certain amendment to the Reserve Bank of India (Note Refund) Rules, 1935, under proviso to section 28 of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2487/69.]

PRESS CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE RULES, 1969 AND MINISTERS' (ALLOWANCES, MEDICAL TREATMENT AND OTHER PRIVILEGES) AMENDMENT RULES, 1969

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN) : On behalf of Shri Vidya Charan Shukla, I beg to lay on the Table :—

[Shri Y. B. Chavan]

(1) A copy of the Press Consultative Committee Rules, 1969 (Hindi and English versions) published in Notification No. S.O. 4232 in Gazette of India dated the 17th October, 1969, under sub-section (4) of section 8 of the Criminal and Election Laws Amendment Act, 1969.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2488/69.]

(2) A copy of the Ministers' (Allowances, Medical Treatment and other Privileges) Amendment Rules, 1969, published in Notification No. G.S.R. 1974 (English version) and G.S.R. 1975 (Hindi version) in Gazette of India dated the 14th August, 1969, under sub-section (2) of section 11 of the Salaries and Allowances of Ministers Act, 1952.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2489/69.]

ANNUAL REPORT OF NATIONAL CO-OPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI D. ERING) : I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the Annual Report of the National Cooperative Development Corporation for the year 1968-69, under sub-section (3) of section 14 of the National Cooperative Development Corporation Act, 1962.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2490/69.]

NOTIFICATIONS UNDER ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES ACT, 1955, CARDOMOM (LICENSING AND REGISTRATION) SECOND AMENDMENT RULES AND ANNUAL REPORT OF COFFEE BOARD

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK) : I beg to lay on the Table —

(1) A copy each of the following Notifications under sub-section (6) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 :—

(*i*) The Cotton Control (Amendment) Order, 1969 published in Notification No. S.O. 3915 (Hindi version) and S.O. 3915 (English version) in Gazette of India dated the 27th September, 1969.

(*ii*) S.O. 4365 (English version) and S.O. 4366 (Hindi version) published in Gazette of India dated the 1st November, 1969 making certain amendment to Notification No. S.R.O. 1317 dated the 9th June, 1956.

[*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2491/69 .]

(2) A copy of the Cardamom (Licensing and Registration) Second Amendment Rules, 1969 (Hindi version) published in Notification No. G.S.R. 2421 in Gazette of India dated the 18th October, 1969, under sub-section (3) of section 33 of the Cardamom Act, 1965. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2493/69.]

(3) A copy of the Annual Report of the Coffee Board for the year 1968-69. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-2493/69.]

13.43 hrs.

PAPERS RELATING TO ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

SHRI THIRUMALA RAO (Kakinada) : I beg to lay on the Table the following statement showing replies to the recommendations of the Estimates Committee which were not furnished by Government in time for inclusion in the relevant Action Taken Reports :—

(*i*) Statement showing the replies of Government to the recommendations noted in Chapter V of the 46th Report of the Estimates Committee (Fourth Lok Sabha).

(*ii*) Statement showing the replies of Government to the recommendations noted in Chapter V of the 54th Report of the Estimates Committee (Fourth Lok Sabha).

(*iii*) Statement showing the replies of Government to the recommendations noted in Chapter V of the 64th Report of the Estimates Committee (Fourth Lok Sabha).

(*iv*) Statement showing the replies of Government to the recommendations noted in Chapter V of the 71st Report of the Estimates Committee (Fourth Lok Sabha).

(*v*) Statement showing the replies of Government to the recommendations noted in Chapter V of the 77th Report of the Estimates Committee (Fourth Lok Sabha).

COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS

MINUTES

SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR (Sambalpur) : I beg to lay on the Table the Minutes of the Forty-eighth to Fifty-fifth sittings of Committee on Petitions.

MESSAGES FROM RAJYA SABHA

SECRETARY : Sir, I have to report the following messages received from the Secretary of Rajya Sabha :—

(*i*) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 127 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to inform the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha, at its sitting held on the 22nd December, 1969, agreed without any amendment to the Salaries and Allowances of Ministers (Amendment) Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 24th November, 1969."

(*ii*) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 127 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to inform the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha, at its sitting held on the 22nd December, 1969, agreed without any amendment to the Foreign Exchange Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 19th December, 1969."

(*iii*) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 127 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to inform the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha, at its sitting held on the 22nd December, 1969, agreed without any amendment to the Bihar Land Reforms Laws (Regulating Mines and Minerals) Validation Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 13th December, 1969." *Interruptions.***

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Nothing will go on record.

If you all sit down, I want to say a few words. If you want the Chair to hear everybody, you must allow the Chair to hear what the Members say. If 4 or 5 or 6 of you get up, it is not possible.

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS *rose*—

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : If there is no order, there cannot be any point of order. Kindly listen to me.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU (Diamond Harbour) : With the Speaker's permission I have to make a statement. How can you shut me down ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I am not shutting you out.

SHRI DHIRESWAR KALITA (Gauhati) : But the item is already passed over. (*Interruptions*).

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I would ask the Minister not to provoke. Now the right to raise a point of order is the right of the House. But this right should not be misused. I am saying so. It applies to you and applies to me as well. If there is no order in the House, there cannot be any point of order.

SHRI MADHU LIMAYE (Monghyr) : Now there is order in the House.

13·45 hrs.

CONVICTION AND RELEASE OF MEMBERS

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I have to inform the House that I have received four indentical communications, dated the 23rd December, 1969, from the Judicial Magistrate, New Delhi, which read as follows :

"I have the honour to inform you that Sarvashri Madhu Limaye, J. H. Patel, Janeshwar Misra and Arjun Singh Bhadoria, Members, Lok Sabha, were tried at the New Delhi Courts before me on a charge under section 188, Indian Penal Code. They pleaded guilty to the charge and as such were convicted.

**Not recorded.

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On the 23rd December, 1969, after a trial lasting for one day, I found them guilty of an offence under section 188, Indian Panel Code and sentenced them to imprisonment till the rising of the Court. They have been released after the expiry of the sentence."

SHRI DHIRESWAR KALITA (Gauhati) : On a point of order.....

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : What is his point of order ?

SHRI DHIRESHWAR KALITA : Will those items be repeated ?

SHRI MADHU LIMAYE (Monghyr) : They will be repeated. They will have to be repeated.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Let the hon. Member kindly listen to me for two minutes. Let him not get excited. It cannot be repeated because I have gone over to item 17A. But I shall permit him to make his observation on that.

Let me hear Shri Madhu Limaye now.

SHRI PRAKASH VIR SHASTRI (Hapur) : What about my point of order ? You should listen to me also.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I shall hear him also.

SHRI JNANESWAR MISRA *rose*—.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Hon. Members do not allow even the Members from their own party to speak. I have called Shri Madhu Limaye. But I find that other Members are interrupting him.

SHRI RABI RAY (Puri) : We only say that he has a point of order, and you should hear him.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU (Diamond Harbour) : Kindly allow me just three minutes.

श्री मधु लिमये : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, जब आप दूसरी आइटम पर जाने लगे उसी समय मैं खड़ा हो गया था और मैंने अर्ज किया था कि मेरा व्यवस्था का प्रश्न है। इस हाउस में कौन आइटम किस समय ली जाए उसके बारे में कुछ नियम बने हुए हैं। क्या उन नियमों के बारे में हम अर्ज नहीं कर सकते हैं, आपको बिनती नहीं कर सकते हैं? जो स्पीकर साहब की डायरेक्शंज हैं, उन में आप डायरेक्शन दो देखिये। उस में लिखा हुआ है कि कालिंग एटेंशन के बाद अगर कोई एडजर्नमेंट मोशन है तो एडजर्नमेंट मोशन आएगी और उसके बाद प्रिवलेज का मामला आएगा और उसके बाद बाकी सारी कार्रवाई होगी।

उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, आपने अभी दो कम्युनिकेशन पढ़ कर सुनाये। उसके बारे में हमने बाकायदा नोटिस दिया है, रवी राय जी ने दिया है, कई सदस्यों ने दिया है। क्या सदन को यह जानने का अधिकार नहीं है कि स्पीकर साहब ने हमारी प्रिवलेज मोशन के नोटिस को रिजैक्ट कर दिया है डिसएलाउ कर दिया है यदि कर दिया है तो सदन को यह जानने का अधिकार है कि क्यों डिसएलाउ किया है ? अगर नहीं किया है और हम को कोई इत्तिला नहीं दी गई है कि डिसएलाउ किया है तो ऐसी हालत में प्रिवलेज का सवाल हम लोग किस समय उठा सकते हैं, इसकी मैं व्यवस्था आप से चाहता हूं। रूल 225 में साफ लिखा हुआ है कि लिस्ट आफ बिजिनैस का काम चालू होने के पहले प्रिवलेज का मामला आएगा प्रश्नोत्तर के बाद, कालिंग एटेंशन के बाद। आप आगे क्यों बढ़े ? आपको निर्णय देना चाहिये था कि आपने अगर हमारे विशेषाधिकार के नोटिस को रिजैक्ट किया है तो किस कारण को ले कर किया है ? यह बहुत गलत प्रक्रिया चल रही है। इस लिए हम लोग एतराज कर रहे हैं। कार्रवाई में कोई बाधा डालने के लिए हम ऐसा नहीं कर रहे हैं।

मैं आपका रूलिंग चाहता हूं कि जब स्पीकर साहब ने हमारे प्रिवलेज को डिसएलाउ नहीं किया है तो ऐसी हालत में आप इस सवाल को उठने क्यों नहीं देते हैं, आगे क्यों बढ़ रहे हैं। आप उसको डिसएलाउ करें, फिर आगे बढ़ें। मेरी बात

को आप सुन लें फिर डिसएलाउ करना हो तो करें। आपने कहा कि बाकायदा नोटिस देना चाहिये। हमने साढ़े दस के पहले नोटिस दिया था।

श्री रवि राय : मैंने कल नोटिस दिया था।

श्री स० मो० बनर्जी (कानपुर) : मैंने अभी वर्बल नोटिस दिया है।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Has Shri Rabi Ray also sent a notice ?

SHRI RABI RAY : Yes.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Does he want to make any submissions ?

SHRI RABI RAY : Yes.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I would hear those Members who had sent notices to raise a question of privilege over the question of their arrest.....

SHRI S. KUNDU *rose*—

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Shri S. Kundu may sit down.

SHRI S. KUNDU (Balasore) : In all humility, I would submit that I am one of those Members who had sent their notices on this question of privilege, before 10·30 a.m. I was however not called. This is a very important question of privilege.

श्री रवि राय : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, कल मैंने नियमों के अनुसार गृह मंत्री, श्री चह्वाण, के खिलाफ विशेषाधिकार भंग का नोटिस साढ़े ग्यारह बजे से पहले दिया था। जब 22 दिसम्बर को मेरे दल के चार संसद-सदस्य, श्री मधु लिमये, श्री जनेश्वर मिश्र, श्री अर्जुन सिंह भदौरिया और श्री जे० एच० पटेल, ग्यारह या साढ़े ग्यारह बजे संसद् की प्रोसीडिंग्स में भाग लेने के लिया आ रहे थे, तो दिल्ली की पुलिस ने पार्लियामेंट हाउस के सामने, पटेल चौक के बग़ल में, श्री जनेश्वर मिश्र को रोका और बावजूद इस बात के कि श्री जनेश्वर मिश्र ने अपना आइडेंटिटी कार्ड दिखाया, पुलिस ने उन को गिरफ्तार किया। उस समय श्री मधु लिमये, श्री अर्जुन सिंह भदौरिया और श्री जे० एच० पटेल को भी गिरफ्तार किया। मेरा कहना यह है कि चूंकि यह सदस्यों के बुनियादी अधिकार का सवाल है, इस लिए यह विशेषाधिकार भंग का मामला हो जाता है। मैंने अपने नोटिस में मेज पार्लियामेंटरी प्रैक्टिस का सम्बद्ध उद्धरण दिया है। उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, आप हमारे राइट्स के, हमारी बुनियादी अधिकारों के रक्षक हैं। यह सारे सदन के अधिकार का मामला है। इस लिए आप इस प्रिविलेज मोशन को प्रिविलेजिज कमेटी को सौंप दीजिए, ताकि श्री चह्वाण भविष्य में हमारे बुनियादी अधिकार के उपयोग में हस्ताक्षेप न करें।

SHRI N. SREEKANTAN NAIR (Quilon) : On a point of order. You, Sir, had read out a communication from the Judicial Magistrate of Delhi to the effect that these Members had admitted their guilt or crime, whatever it be, and, they were convicted.....

SHRI RABI RAY : Shri Madhu Limaye has challenged it.

SHRI N. SREEKANTAN NAIR : This question has get to be clarified before this question of privilege is taken up.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I have allowed Shri Rabi Ray who sent the notice to raise the question of privilege. I shalll allow only those Members who have sent their notices.

SHRI N. SREEKANTAN NAIR : That is not the question. The point here is whether they had admitted their guilt. If they had admitted their guilt, then there is no question of privilege at all. So, they have got to make it clear whether they admitted their guilt or not. That is the crux of the hole question.

SHRI RAM SEWAK YADAV *rose*—

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : I am told by the office that only Shri Rabi Ray had sent a notice on the question of privilege.

SHRI MADHU LIMAYE : I have also sent.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The hon. Members has spoken already.

SHRI MADHU LIMAYE : I spoke only on the point of procedure and I have not said anything on the substantive issue.

श्री राम सेवक यादव (बाराबंकी) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, मेरा निवेदन है कि इस के बारे में मुझे आप को कुछ और इत्तिला देनी है।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Let the hon. Member resume his seat. I have not allowed him to speak. He is not serving the purpose in view.....

श्री राम सेवक यादव : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, यह तो कोई नियम नहीं है कि जो सदस्य प्रिविलेज मोशन दे, केवल वही बोल सकता है।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I shall allow only those who have sent their notices and whose names are there on the motion.

श्री राम सेवक यादव : मैं आप से विनम्र निवेदन करूंगा कि जब यहां पर कोई प्रिविलेज मोशन आये, तो यह जरूरी नहीं है कि.....

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I have not given my ruling. I have only allowed them to raise it. I shall hear them, and then I shall hear the hon. Minister and then only I shall give my ruling, and I would decide whether I should allow this privilege to be raised or not.

They are only making a submission.

श्री राम सेवक यादव: उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं आप को कुछ जानकारी देना चाहता हूं। जो आप को अपने निर्णय पर पहुंचने के लिए जरूरी है।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : No, no. If I violate the procedure of the House, then I am not serving the purpose that the members want. At the moment, I am only to hear those who have sent notices.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : I sent it three days ago.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : That is different. We shall come to that when that question is to be decided. At the moment, we are concerned with the arrest of certain MPs. and the communication sent by the District Magistrate. I will allow only those who have sent their names.

श्री राम सेवक यादव : मैं आप के निर्णय के सामने सिर झुकाता हूं, नतमस्तक हूं, लेकिन आप का निर्णय उचित नहीं है।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I am not listening to him. I have allowed Shri Rabi Ray. He has completed his submission. I thought that Shri Madhu Limaye had also completed his submission. He will excuse me because I did not have the names of those who have sent notices. Now the office has informed me that he had sent a notice. I will allow him to make his submission. After that, I will call the Minister and then I shall reserve my ruling.

श्री मधु लिमये : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, पहले तो मैं केवल प्रोसीजर के बारे में बोला था और मैंने कहा था कि पहले इस विषय को खत्म करना चाहिए और फिर दूसरे मामलों को लिया जाये।

आप के पास मैजिस्ट्रेट के पास से जो बयान आया है, अभी माननीय सदस्य, श्री श्रीकान्तन नायर, ने उस के बारे में सवाल उठाया कि क्या हम ने अपने अपराध को कबूल किया। जो कुछ हमें कहना था, वह हम ने लिखित रूप में दिया है। जो तीन वाक्य मैंने लिख कर दिये, मैं उन्हें पढ़ कर आप को बताता हूं। इस समय मेरे पास वह लिखित बयान नहीं है, लेकिन मुझे वे याद हैं। एक तो मैंने यह कहा कि मैं पार्लियामेंट स्ट्रीट से पार्लियामेंट भवन की ओर बढ़ा। दूसरी बात मैंने यह कही कि मैंने जरूर नारे दिये। मैंने तीसरी बात यह कही कि मैंने सभा में भाषण भी दिया। इस के अलावा मैंने और कुछ नहीं कहा। (व्यवधान) यह हंसने की बात नहीं है। मैं साबित करूंगा कि "प्लीड गिल्टी" और इसमें बहुत फ़र्क है। मैं साबित कर के

छोड़ूंगा कि मैंने यह बिल्कुल नहीं माना है कि इस में कोई गिल्ट है। (व्यवधान)

यह सही है कि मैं पार्लियामेंट स्ट्रीट से संसद् भवन की ओर बढ़ रहा था, क्योंकि मैं संसद् में आना चाहता था। लेकिन मैंने पटेल चौक पर देखा कि हमारे समाजवादी युवजन सभा के छात्रों पर लाठी चल रही है। इस लिए क्या हो रहा है, यह देखने के लिए मैं वहां गया। जब मैं आगे संसद् भवन के सामने आया, तब वहां पर कुछ लड़कियों को पुलिस रोक रही थी उन पर कुछ लाठियां भी बरसाई गई और कुछ चोटें भी आई । जब मैंने यह देखा, और मुझे जाने से रोका गया, तो मैं भी उन लोगों में सम्मिलित हो गया। अगर मैं ऐसा न करता, तो, मैं एक बहुत निकम्मा आदमी साबित होता । मैंने सरकार और इन्दिरा की तानाशाही के खिलाफ नारे जरूर दिये । मैंने वहां भाषण भी दिया । इस को अपराध मानना या न मानना मंत्री महोदय और मेरे बीच मतभेद की बात है । चूंकि मैजिस्ट्रेट साहब बहुत चार्मिन्ग है, इस लिए मैं उन के बारे में कुछ नहीं कहूंगा। (व्यवधान) चर्मिन्ग औरत है, इसलिए उनके बारे में कुछ नहीं कहूंगा ।

14 Hrs.

आप को जो जानकरी दी गई है, जिस के बारे में मैंने नोटिस दिया है, मैं उस के सम्बन्ध में एक ही सवाल उठाना चाहता हूं, जिस का श्री चह्वाण जवाब दें । 23 दिसम्बर के बुलिटन में कहा गया है कि मैजिस्ट्रेट ने यह ख़बर दी है कि हम को इंडियन पीनल कोड की दफ़ा 188 के तहत गिरफ्तार किया गया है । मैंने क्रिमिनल प्रोसीजर कोड का सैकंड शिड्यूल एक दफ़ा फिर, चैक करने के लिए, पढ़ा । वकील साहब, चौधरी साहब बैठे हुए हैं । श्री चह्वाण भी वकील हैं । सब जानते हैं कि दफ़ा 188 के तहत, कम से कम क्रमिनल प्रोसीजर कोड के अनुसार, यह काग्निजेबल आफ़ेंस नहीं है। इस केस को समन्स केस कहते हैं वारन्ट केस नहीं । समन्स केस और नान-काग्निजेबल आफेंस का मतलब है कि मेरी उस जगह पर गिरफ्तारी नहीं हो सकती थी, सामन्स निकालने के बाद हां गिरफ्तारी हो सकती थी । मैंने यह भी जानना चाहा था कि क्या दिल्ली प्रशासन का यूनियन टेरीटरी के लिए कोई ऐसा कानून है कि जिस के तहत 188 आई० पी० सी० के अपराध को काग्नेजेबल बनाया गया है, क्या बिना वारंट गिरफ्तारी का अधिकार पुलिस अधिकारियों को है? अगर चह्वाण साहब यह कहते हैं कि इस तरह का अधिकार है और वह कानून बनाया गया है तो मेरा इस के बारे में आक्षेप नहीं है । मैजिस्ट्रेट साहिबा का सवाल है कि हम ने प्लीड गिल्टी किया है । लेकिन हम ने नहीं कहा है । उन्हों ने लिख कर दिया कि आए प्लीड गिल्टी तो उस के सामने मैं ने लिखा है कि नहीं, यह मैं ने किया है । तो फैक्ट्स के बारे में अध्यक्ष महोदय, मतभेद नहीं है, फैक्ट्स के इंटरप्रिटेशन के बारे में मतभेद है । अब श्री श्रीकांतन नायर साहब को पता चलेगा कि ऐसा कहा या नहीं हम यह कबूल करते हैं कि हम ने रोके जाने पर नारे दिए, सभा में भाषण दिया, मेरी राय में यह कोई गैर-कानूनी काम नहीं हुआ । मजिस्ट्रेट साहिबा की राय में यह गैर-कानूनी है और उस को अपराध स्वीकार किया गया, इसलिए सजा दी गई । अगर 188 काग्नेजेबल नही है तो मेरी राय में मेरी गिरफ्तारी गैरकानूनी है और संसद् सदस्यों के अधिकारों का उल्लंघन करने वाली है ।

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN) : There is only one point that requires an answer from me..... (*Interruptions*). Members have a right to come here and exercise their rights as a Member of Parliament by attending Parliament. But whether he has the privilege to commit a crime the way...

श्री रवि राय : भाषण देना कोई क्राइम है चव्हाण साहब ? आप के राज्य में भाषण देना क्राइम हो गया ?

श्री जनेश्वर मिश्र (फूलपुर): एक व्यवस्था का प्रश्न है। आप ने जब कि रवि राय जी ने चर्चा की कि वहां पकड़े गए तो एक अगर व्यक्तिगत स्पष्टीकरण का भी मौका दे दिया होता तो मेरे ख्याल में गृह मंत्री को यह दिक्कत नहीं पड़ती ··· (**व्यवधान**) ··· क्यों कि इनके दारोगा जो लाठी चला रहे थे वह शराब पिये हुए थे और मजिस्ट्रेट को हम ने बता दिया था ··· (**व्यवधान**) ··· इसलिए बिना जाने हुए यह बोल रहे हैं। ····

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : This is no point of order.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : I have nothing more to say in this matter. Unfortunately or fortunately, what Mr. Limaye did on the way may be justified in his own eyes from the political point of view, but in the eyes of law what he did and what he admitted he did amounts to an offence under the Act and for that matter the magistrate has very legally convicted him.

He raised the point about section 144. He has raised that point rather suddenly.

श्री मधु लिमये : नहीं सडेनली नहीं, नोटिस दिया था।

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : Subject to correction my information in that in the Bombay Police Act has been made applicable to the Union Territory of Delhi. Under that they can arrest.... (*Interuptions*).

श्री भोगेन्द्र झा (जयनगर) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं एक व्यवस्था का प्रश्न उठा रहा हूं कि जो मैजिस्ट्रेट की ओर से यहां पर आया है और आप के सामने उस पर जो गृह मंत्री ने बयान दिया है, अगर वह इस रूप में रह गया तो भारत के संविधान की और मौलिक अधिकारों की भी हत्या होगी। यह हकीकत जो अभी मधु लिमये जी ने बताई है जो जुर्म गृह मंत्री या मैजिस्ट्रेट की नजर में जुर्म समझा जाएगा वह अलग बात है लेकिन गिल्टी प्लीड किया यह मानना यह बिल्कुल उस से अलग बात है ····· (**व्यवधान**) आप एक सेकेंड सुन लीजिए। व्यवस्था का प्रश्न मेरा यह है कि मुकदमा इन पर चला ही नहीं। अगर यह कसूर नहीं मानते हैं तब सुनवाई करके, बहस करके, फैसला मैजिस्ट्रेट दे सकता है, सजा भी दे सकता है, लेकिन अगर कसूर में हां नहीं कहा, कोई प्लीड गिल्टी पर दस्तखत नहीं किए ·····

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : It is not a point of order. It is a speech. How can I listen to you ? I have not allowed any other Member except those who have given notice. (*Interruption*).

It is not a point of order.

श्री भोगेन्द्र झा : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, आप अपनी रूलिंग देने के पहले जो सुप्रीम कोर्ट की रूलिंग से उस को देख लें ··· (**व्यवधान**) ····· व्यवस्था का प्रश्न यह है कि जो गृह मंत्री ने कहा कि वह एमांउट करता है तो एमांउट ····· (**व्यवधान**) ····· मैं कहता हूं कि इस मैजिस्ट्रेट पर प्रिविलेज का सवाल उठाया जाय, मर्यादा भंग का सवाल उठाया जाय ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : That is your opinion. It is not a point of order. I am sorry. No please.

श्री भोगेन्द्र झा : उस ने गलतबयानी की है। उस पर मर्यादा भंग का सवाल उठाया जाय।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : No. no. Mr. Jha, I will have to ask the Reporters to stop.

श्री भोगेन्द्र झा**

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Nothing will go on record. (*Interruption*). I cannot give my ruling now. I am sorry. Nothing is going on record. (*Interruption*).

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS *rose*—

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Let me hear one by one. Let me hear Shri Yadav. If you are going to make any speech on this, I have already given my decision. You cannot make a speech on this. If there is a point of order on anything else, you can say. But if it is going to be a speech on the plea that it is a point of order, I disallow it with great regret.

** Not recorded.

श्री राम सेवक यादव : मेरा आपसे निवेदन है कि कोई भी मेम्बर प्वाइंट आफ आर्डर जब रेज करेगा तो बोल कर के ही करेगा। मेरा निवेदन है कि यह जो सारा प्रिविलेज का मुद्दा उठा अभी और जो वहां से सूचना आई वह आप ने पढ़ कर के सदन में सुनाया और जो गृह मंत्री महोदय ने सूचना दी वह केवल अरेस्ट को ले कर के दी लेकिन बाकी और मुद्दे हैं उस में, किस समय पर गिरफ्तारी हुई, दूसरे कब उस की सूचना दी गई, कब यह लोग अदालत के सामने पेश किए गए, यह सारे मुद्दे उस के साथ जुड़े हुए हैं। अगर उन के बारे में गृह मंत्री का कुछ जवाब नहीं मिलता, उस के बारे में जानकारी नहीं आती है तो कोई निर्णय उस पर हो नहीं सकता है। इसलिए अकेले 188 के प्रश्न को ले कर के वह चीज नहीं चल सकती है। और भी गलत बयानी हुई है इस सिलसिले में।

.... **(व्यवधान)** .....

SHRI S. KUNDU *rose*—

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Mr. Kundu, kindly co-operate. I have listened to Mr. Yadav. What you have said has been noted although it is not a point of order.

But I would say, nothing prevents the members to bring any other additional information to the notice of the Chair. I would, therefore, humbly request members to allow me to continue with the business of the House. (*Interruptions.*)

I have no right to shut out any member if he is on the right procedure. Now Mr. Kalita. I will call Mr. Kundu after that.

SHRI S. KUNDU : You must first dispose of privilege issues. That is the convention.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Under rule 224, not more than one question of privilege shall be raised at one sitting. Therefore, the other privilege notices cannot be taken up today.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA (Contai) : I have sent a privilege motion to the Speaker 5 or 6 days before about an article written in a paper which is a distortion and misrepresentation of my speech. I met the Speaker in his Chamber and he said, he would allow to other privilege motions over mine !

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I cannot answer this question here now. I would request you to meet the Speaker in his chamber and get it clarified.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA : I met him in his chamber and he said categorically that he will allow me to raise it here today.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I would remind the House that it is a time—honoured convention of this House that the Speaker's ruling or his decision in the House is final and unquestionable. But it can be reopened by the Speaker if the members can convince him about it in his chamber. The Chair is not expected to enter into a controversy with the member on the floor of the House. I would request Mr. Guha, who is a respected professor to kindly cooperate in our efforts to maintain and promote the decorum and dignity of the House.

SHRI HEM BARUA (Mangaldai) : Where is the question of decorum in this ? Here is a member who says he submitted a privilege motion some days before and he met the Speaker also in his chamber where the Speaker promised him that he will allow him to raise it here. Where is the question of decorum !

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I have requested one professor and now I am requesting another professor to cooperate.

SHRI HEM BARUA : Don't forget you are also a professor.

SHRI S. KUNDU : I want to make it clear that we have every intention of co-operating with you. But we can co-operate with you only when we, you and I, follow the procedures of the House. The point which I was trying to raise was meant to strengthen your hands and to see that we follow the procedure in the House. There is a convention in the House that after the question hour the privilege motions are taken up. But this was not done. Shri Madhu Limaye raised it. When I stood up you were about to tell me that after hearing Shri Kalita you will hear me. Sir, you should not go against the conventions. Therefore, I am reminding you what is the convention. Now, when you have already called

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me, if you take refuge under the rules to bar me, that is not fair. That rule was there even earlier. Yet, a convention has been set up and more than one privilege motion has been taken up. So, it would be unfair not only to me but to many other members if you deny an opportunity. On the pretext of point of order many issues are raised in the House every day. Now you can cite rules and shut me out but you cannot shut my right. It is a very important privilege issue and today is the last day of the session. The news item says that there was a fight among the members.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Please do not go into the merits of the question. I do not know what convention he is referring to I am concerned with the rules of the House. They are not your rules or my rules; they are the rules made by this House. Until those rules are changed, I am helpless. Kindly, co-operate with me.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH (Rohtak) : It is not correct to say that there was exchange of blows. It will tarnish the image of the House. Why did it appear in the press ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Kindly resume your seat and co-operate with me.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Sir, I met the Speaker this morning in his chamber in connection with a privilege motion that I want to move against Shri Chavan. On the 22nd December I tabled a privilege motion against Shri Chavan, the Home Minister, and the supporting facts are as follows. On the 5th December in reply to Starred Question No. 432, Shri Chavan gave the information that in West Bengal there were 101 political murders. For obtaining replies, the Union Home Ministry in its wireless message dated 8-11-69 had asked the West Bengal Government to give appropriate replies.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I would request him to resume his seat. I am not permitting this.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : In reply, the West Bengal Government in its teleprinter message dated 3rd December 1969 said the following. Allegations have been received about the murder of political workers. All cases of murders in which victims are alleged to be political workers are at present under investigation. The motive for murder cannot be established until investigation is completed. Consequently, the number of political workers actually murdered or injured cannot be furnished now.....

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I am not allowing this. Nothing will go on record.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU :***

SHRI SAMAR GUHA : Is there any procedure in the House ? Or, any member can get up and say anything he likes ! This is not a Professor speaking; this is a revolutionary speaking. Sir, what do you mean by allowing all this to be said here ! (*interruptions*). You do not allow me but allow others.....(*interruptions*).

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA (Delhi Sadar) : Sir, is there any procedure here ? Under what rule was this allowed ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Please sit down and allow me to have my say. Otherwise, how can I reply to you ?

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : Are you following any procedure ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I am following the Rules of Precedure. After the privilege matter raised by Shri Madhu Limaye was disposed of, because some hon. Members wanted to be heard I went out of my way and heard Shri Guha, Shri Kundu..... (*Interruption*).

SHRI S. KUNDU : You did not hear me.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I did not allow your motion but I heard you.

श्री लखनलाल कपूर (किशनगंज) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय को उत्तेजित नहीं होना चाहिये, मेम्बर्ज उत्तेजित नहीं हो रहे हैं, आप क्यों इतना उत्तेजित हो रहे हैं, आपको कन्ट्रोल करना चाहिये।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I also heard Shri Yadav. Although three of you raised different points, which I did not allow, I heard you. In the same way Shri Jyotirmoy Basu wanted to say something.

SHRI PILOO MODY (Godhra) : He said that he wanted to raise an issue of privilege.

***Not recorded.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I did not know what he was going to say. It was my duty to hear him. He raised a point of privilege, he raised a point of privilege, he raised a point of privilege, all of which I disallowed. Now Shri Kalita.

SHRI DHIRESWAR KALITA : Mine is not a privilege issue.

I am speaking on item 7 of the Order Paper. A copy of the report of the expert committee, which was announced in this House last April, has been laid on the Table. Yesterday it was laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha and it has come out in the press. I have read it and I find that the expert committee has categorically rejected a second public refinery in Assam or any new refining capacity in Assam. On the 5th December the Prime Minister has made an announcement in this House that a little over one million tonne new refining capacity will be increased in Assam either through expansion or by establishing a new refinery. I want to know from Government whether there is any co-ordination between the report of the expert committee and the Prime Minister's statement.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS (SHRI D. R. CHAVAN) : May I explain ? The hon. Member has referred to the report that has appeared in the papers concerning the recommendations contained in the expert committee's report. The recommendations contained in this report were taken into consideration by the Prime Minister and the decision has already been announced; it is known to the House. Only the report, which contains these recommendations, has been laid on the Table.

SHRI DHIRESWAR KALITA : I want to know whether the decision of Government stands or whether the expert committee's recommendations stand.

SHRI D. R. CHAVAN : The decision that was announced was the decision of Government which stands.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Shri Thirumala Rao.

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ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

NINETY-SIXTH AND NINETY-NINTH REPORTS

SHRI THIRUMALA RAO (Kakinada) : Sir, I beg to present the following Reports of the Estimates Committee :—

(1) Ninety-sixth Report on action taken by Government on the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Estimates Committee on the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting—Film Institute of India, Poona.

(2) Ninety-ninth Report on action taken by Government on the recommendations contained in the Forty-third Report of the Estimates Committee on the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Department of Agriculture) —Fisheries Development.

SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA (Begusarai) : Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, on a previous day when we raised the question of the Jamshedpur strike, you were kind enough.....(*Interruption*).

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I cannot allow this.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : Is there any procedure in the House ? Are you following any rules ? You are giving an opportunity to every Member. What is this that is going on ?

SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA : Sir, you were kind enough to say that the House was seized of the matter. You may kindly see the record of the proceedings. You may kindly ask the Minister concerned to inform the House as to what has been done, why the strike is continuing and what efforts have been made to end the strike.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Just one minute. Although we had come up to item 17A, some Members felt that I was rushing too fast and they wanted to make some observations on certain papers laid by the Government. In that connection, I called Mr. Kalita and he made an observation on item No. 7. Now, Mr. Banerjee wants to make an observation on item No. 9. Shri Banerjee; kindly be brief.

SHRI JAIPAL SINGH (Khunti) : On a point of order, Sir. My point of order is that this country has no future if these people who have come here shout like this. Let us have some decency and decorum in the House. I would say, let only Adivasis be heard. (*Interruption*).

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Let me hear Mr. Banerjee; kindly be brief.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE (Kanpur) : Sir, about Item 9 of the agenda, the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs, Shri Raghu Ramaiah, has laid on the Table seven statements showing the action taken by Government on various assurances, promises and undertakings given by the Ministers during the various sessions of the Fourth Lok Sabha.

Sir, in this Lok Sabha itself and previous to this also, two solemn assurances were given. An assurance was given by the Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs, Shri Vidya Charan Shukla, that the Government have taken a lenient view and that all Central Government employees who participated in the 19th Septembre, 1968 strike will be taken back. That assurance was referred to the Assurances Committee also and even the Assurances Committee has held that that assurance has not been fulfilled.

Another assurance that was given in this House was given by the Labour Minister, Shri Jagjivan Ram. When my hon. friend Shri Bhogendra Jha and others, raised the question of Jamshedpur strike, a solemn assurance was given by Shri Jagjivan Ram.....

SHRI RAM KISHAN GUPTA (Hissar) : How is it relevant here ?

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : It is absolutely relevant. (*Interruptions*).

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The hon. Member is quite in order in raising that. I only request the hon. Member to be very brief.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : Thank you, Sir. I will be brief. An assurance was given by the then hon. Minister of Labour, Shri Jagjivan Ram. It was given twice and he gave an assurance that a statement will be made as to the steps taken by the Central Government to solve the problem. In Tatanagar, a hunger-strike has started. The situation has deteriorated because of tatas' influence. Mr. T. P. Singh was sent there as an Adviser. He is unable to act. I warn the Central Government. I request the hon. Minister to make a statement here and now as to what steps are being taken by the Central Government to implement the assurance given by the Prime Minister and the assurance given by the then Labour Minister.

श्री गुणानन्द ठाकुर (सहरसा) : बिहार के भूतपूर्व मुख्य मंत्री श्री कर्पूरी ठाकुर, (संयुक्त सोशलिस्ट पार्टी के अध्यक्ष) कल से अनशन पर चले गए हैं। जमशेदपुर की हालत बड़ी नाजुक है। पिछले 35 दिनों से 40 हजार मजदूर वहां हड़ताल पर हैं। सरकार यहां पर आश्वासन देती है, मंत्री महोदय कहते हैं कि हम इसको सुलझा देंगे लेकिन कोई समझौता नहीं हो रहा है। बिहार में राष्ट्रपति का शासन है और लोकसभा बन्द होने जा रही है। देश के बहुत बड़े किसान मजदूरों के नेता श्री कर्पूरी ठाकुर अनशन पर हैं इसलिए सरकार खासकर प्रधान मंत्री को चाहिए कि इस मामले में अविलम्ब हस्तक्षेप करें और श्री कर्पूरी ठाकुर के अनशन को तोड़वाकर मजदूरों की मांगों को पूरा करवायें।

श्री भोगेन्द्र झा (जयनगर) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, इस सदन में गृह मंत्री श्री चव्हाण ने आश्वासन दिया था कि अब राजनीतिक कारणों पर दफा 107 का इस्तेमाल नहीं किया जायेगा। जमशेदपुर की हड़ताल के सिलसिले में बिहार विधान सभा के सदस्य श्री केदार नाथ और अन्य लगभग दो सौ लोगों पर दफा 107 के अन्तर्गत वारन्ट हुए हैं और बहुत से गिरफ्तार करके जेल में बन्द किए गए हैं। इसलिए यह आश्वासन भंग का सवाल हो जाता है।

दूसरे श्री जगजीवन राम जी ने हड़ताल में मुअत्तल लोगों को वापिस लेने के बारे में आश्वासन दिया था लेकिन 37 दिन हो गए हैं हड़ताल चलते और श्री कर्पूरी ठाकुर भी कल से मरण हड़ताल पर हैं

और इस सत्र का यह आखिरी दिन है इसलिए मेरा कहना यह है कि टाटा के मामले में मंत्री महोदय की खुलकर हमदर्दी चल रही है। इस सरकार को अपने दिये गये आश्वासन पर चलना चाहिए।

SHRI SRINIBAS MISRA (Cuttack) : Today the hon. Minister has laid on the Table statements showing the action taken by Government on various assurances. Prior to November in this House the Minister for Petroleum assured that he would lay on the Table the Shantilal Shah Committee's report on oil prices. It has not yet been laid on the Table of the House so far, but it has found its way to the *Economic Times* dated the 25th November, 1969. Will the hon. Minister please enlighten as to how this has happened ?

श्री लखनलाल कपूर : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, इस सदन में कई बार जमशेदपुर की हड़ताल के सिलसिले में सवाल उठाये गए हैं। श्री जगजीवन राम जी ने जो वचन दिया उसके बाद यह उम्मीद थी कि यहां से कोई मंत्री टाटा नगर जा कर के इस मामले को सुलझायेंगे। जब जूट की स्ट्राइक हुई थी तब यहां से मंत्री महोदय गए थे लेकिन इस मामले में बार-बार रिक्वैस्ट करने के बाद भी कोई मंत्री वहां पर नहीं गए, सिर्फ श्री टी० पी० सिंह एडवाइजर को भेजा जिससे अभी तक कोई प्रगति नहीं हो पाई है। मेरा कहना है कि जब ऐसी बात है कि वहां पर कोई सलाह मश्विरा नहीं हो रहा है, कम्पनी कोई बात नहीं सुन रही है और सरकार की तरफ से वहां पर लोग अरेस्ट किए जा रहे हैं, लाउड स्पीकर सीज किए जा रहे हैं, मजदूरों के अलावा इस सदन के सदस्य मेरे जैसे आदमियों पर भी दफा 107 के अन्तर्गत मुकदमें चलाये जा रहे हैं—ये तमाम बातें जो हो रही हैं उनसे पता चलता है कि टाटा के पक्ष में यह सरकार डिसीजन ले रही है। इसलिए मेरी मांग है कि सरकार की तरफ से कोई मंत्री टाटा नगर जायं और वहां पर बैठ कर मजदूरों के पक्ष में फैसला करवायें।

SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU (Chittoor) : The Home Minister had assured this House about protection of minorities the Andhras, living in Tamil Nadu. The Telugu students living in Dharmapuri district, Hosur taluk, are harassed and arrested; the Telugu people living there are being arrested and harassed. Though the Home Minister had given assurance, these unfortunate things have happened..... (*Interruptions*).

SHRI S. KANDAPPAN (Mettur) : Let me say that this kind of irresponsible observations will trigger of untoward incidents in those places and they should not go on record.

श्री मोलहू प्रसाद (बांसगांव) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, मुझे दुख के साथ कहना पड़ता है कि संसद कार्य मंत्री ने, गए नवम्बर महीने में जब मुख्य मंत्रियों का सम्मेलन हुआ था तो मेरी ध्यानाकर्षण सूचना स्वीकार की थी, अनुपूरक प्रश्नों के सम्बन्ध में मंत्री जी और अध्यक्ष महोदय, दोनों ने स्वीकार किया था कि इस पर अलग से चर्चा की जायेगी। अध्यक्ष महोदय के निर्देशानुसार मैं ने जो सूचना दी थी और दो दिसम्बर को अध्यक्ष महोदय ने आश्वासन दिया था कि इस पर विचार करने के लिए समय निकालेंगे, फिर 5 दिसम्बर को अध्यक्ष महोदय ने आश्वासन दिया कि चर्चा का समय निकालेंगे उसके बाद 18 दिसम्बर को फिर आश्वासन दिया कि चर्चा का समय निकालेंगे। ऐसी दशा में मैं पूछना चाहता हूं कि संसद् कार्य मंत्री और अध्यक्ष महोदय के आश्वासनों का क्या महत्व है? तमाम देश भर में भूमिहीनों और समाजवाद के बारे में यह संसद् आंसू बहाती है लेकिन उसके ऊपर चर्चा करने और निराकरण का रास्ता ढूंढने के लिए कोरी सहानुभूति की बात होती है। मैं समझता हूं अध्यक्ष महोदय ने अपने आश्वासन का पालन न करके अपनी कुर्सी के साथ न्याय नहीं किया।

श्री रामावतार शास्त्री (पटना) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, इस सदन में कई बार आश्वासन दिया गया कि हटिया में जो मजदूर विस्थापित हो गए हैं, जिनके लिए कोई कारोबार नहीं रह गया है, उनको बसाने के लिए शीघ्र ही कार्यवाही की जायेगी लेकिन बार बार आश्वासन दिए जाने के बावजूद कुछ नहीं किया गया। और वहां जो होटल में रहते हैं दूसरे एम्प्लाईज उनकी समस्या के स्थायी निराकरण की तरफ भी ध्यान दिया जाना चाहिए।

दूसरी बात यह है कि सन् 1967 से लेकर अब तक यहां बराबर यह आश्वासन दिया जा रहा है कि गंगा नदी के कटाव वाले जो गांव हैं उनको बसाने के लिए इन्तजाम किया जा रहा है, मुंगेर, पटना आदि जिलों में लेकिन अभी तक उनको बसाने की कोई व्यवस्था नहीं की गई है।

श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय (उज्जैन) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, आपको याद होगा कि इस सरकार ने इस सदन में ठेकेदारी प्रथा और कैजुअल लेबर की प्रथा को समाप्त करने वाले विधेयक को लाने का आश्वासन दिया था लेकिन आज तक वह नहीं लाया गया है। इसी प्रकार से सरकार ने शेड्यूल्ड कास्ट शेड्यूल्ड ट्राइब्ज अमेन्डमेन्ट बिल लाने का आश्वासन दिया था लेकिन वह भी आज तक नहीं आया। इसलिए मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि वे कब तक आयेंगे ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The hon. Minister.

श्री शिव चन्द्र झा (मधुबनी) : अध्यक्ष महोदय, .

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : It will not go on record.

श्री शिव चन्द्र झा* :

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I request the Members on this side of the House also to co-operate.

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI RAGHU RAMAIAH) : I might inform the House that there is a Committee on Assurances which studiously go into all the assurances and process them and then obtain the necessary assurances from the Ministries and their Report is laid on the Table of the House.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA : Several assurances are still not put into practice.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री (हापुड़) : मेरा व्यवस्था का प्रश्न यह है जिस को मैं प्रारम्भ से उठाना चाहता हूं लेकिन मेरा दुर्भाग्य यह है कि मैं बहुत अधिक शोर मचा कर या कई प्रदर्शन कर के आपका ध्यान आकर्षित नहीं करना चाहता।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : This is no point of order at all. The hon. Member has made his submissions. This was considered by the Business Advisory Committee.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : मैं जो कुछ कहना चाहता हूं उस को जरा शांति से सुन लें। मेरा व्यवस्था का प्रश्न यह है कि पिछले शुक्रवार, पिछले शनिवार, इस सोमवार और कल मंगलवार, इन चार दिनों तक आर्डर पेपर पर यह आता रहा कि मेरा जो प्रस्ताव है, जिस का अभिप्राय यह है कि विदेशी शक्तियों का धन और हथियार ले कर देश में विघटनकारी गतिविधियां चल रही हैं....

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : This is no point of order. This was considered by the Business Advisory Committee.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : आप मेरी बात सुन लीजिये। आप मुझ को इस प्रकार की बात का आदी मत बनाइये कि मैं किसी प्रकार का कोलाहल कर के अवसर प्राप्त करूं। मेरे एक दो शब्दों को सुन लीजिये उस के बाद उस का जो उत्तर देना हो दे दीजिये। कल का जो आर्डर पेपर है यानी 23 तारीख का, उस के आइटेम

*Not recorded.

नं० 4 पर में लिखा हुआ है कि आज अगर यह नहीं लिया गया तो कल निश्चित रूप से ले लिया जायेगा। उस के बाद किसी प्रकार की सूचना नहीं दी गई है। आज इस प्रकार की घटनायें हो रही हैं बंगाल में, सरकार खुद कत्ले आम में भाग ले रही है। उस के बाद सदन को इस प्रकार की स्थिति में रख देना कहां तक ठीक है। जब कोई चीज आर्डर पेपर पर आ जाती है तब वह सदन की सम्पत्ति हो जाती है। चार दिन तक यह चीज आती रही है। आज सदन को बतलाये बिना इस को आर्डर पेपर पर से हटा दिया गया है। मैं आप की व्यवस्था चाहता हूं कि यह किस आधार पर हुआ है और इस के पीछे कौन से तत्व हैं?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I shall give my ruling now....

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: I want to make a submission on the same point of order. I want to say something on another aspect of the same point of order.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : No. I shall give my ruling. This is not a point of order at all. These were all matters considered by the Business Advisory Committee. I would request the hon. Member to kindly take it up with the Hon. Speaker and the Business Advisory Committee. This is no point of order at all.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: On a point of order.....

SHRI PRAKASH VIR SHASTRI: I have another point of order....

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Nothing will go on record.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: I would just take only one minute....

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Now, let him sit down and listen to me. My business here is to carry on with the business of the House and not shut out anybody. I know that many Members have many problems which they would like to highlight and which they would like this House to take note of. On the other hand, we have not been able to take up the business today. I have gone out of my way. If the whole House agrees, since Shri Samar Guha has said that he would take only one minute, I shall allow him one minute, but after that, the House should allow me to continue with the agenda.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: Since you have agreed, may I make my submission ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I have not agreed....

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: The slant of your suggestion tantamounts to your agreeing.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I have not agreed. I have only put it to the House to co-operate. I have not agreed to give him one minute.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: I want just one minute to raise the question. (*Interruptions*) On a point of order.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY (Kendrapara): If it is a point of order, then you should revise your ruling and listen to him.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: All right. I respect the view of Shri Dwivedy, leader of the PSP and a very senior member of the House. If it is a point of order, I must hear him. But today many points of order have been raised which are not points of order, and under the plea of points of order, many other questions have been raised. That is my difficulty.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : मेरा कहना यह है कि जिस चीज को हाउस की मंजूरी मिल चुकी है उस को विजिनेस ऐडवाइजरी कमेटी बिना हाउस से पूछे हुए हटा नहीं सकती। हाउस सैंक्शन दे चुका है इस चीज को।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: It is not a point of order. If it is a point of order that Shri Guha wants to raise, I cannot but hear him. At the same time, he should be as brief as possible. Kindly co-operate, and when I give my ruling, kindly accept it.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: This Motion of Shri Prakash Vir Shastri is on a very vital issue of the violent activities, revolution-

[Shri Samar Guha]

like activities, about which the Chief Minister of a State has stated that the law and order situation in that State is....(*Interruptions*).

SHRI UMANATH (Pudokkattai) : No. He wants to indulge in a tirade against the Government of West Bengal under the guise of a point of order (*Interruptions*).

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: I would make an appeal to members. It may be a controversial point. If Shri Umanath raises a point of order against anything, could I get up and say, 'No, no; this is a point of order' ?

SHRI H. N. MUKERJEE (Calcutta North East) : You have heard what he said.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: Let them not interrupt before he completes his point of order. It may not be acceptable to some. But every member has a right to raise a point of order. It is for the Chair to decide about it, not for other members who may not agree with it to interrupt him in this manner. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI H. N. MUKERJEE: What are these people here wanting to do? (*Interruptions*).

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY : He has every right to raise a point of order. He has also to argue it (*Interruptions*). Others cannot interrupt and say 'this is not a point of order.' He has a right to argue before you and nobody else should interrupt him when he is formulating his point of order. But here some members have started interrupting him before he completes his sentence.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: In view of the seriousness of the subject matter of the Motion, I want to know from you whether the business that was approved by the House can be left out, whether the Business Advisory Committi has the competence to say that that business cannot be taken up, without the concurrence of the House.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I shall give my ruling on this point raised by Mr. Guha. Rule 25 says this: on days allotted for the transaction of Government business, such business shall have precedence and the Secretary shall arrange that business in such order as the Speaker may after consultation with the Leader of the House determine. That has been done. Precedence has been given in that way. I request Mr. Guha to accept that ruling.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : पहली जो बिजिनैस एडवाइजरी कमेटी की रिपोर्ट थी उसको हाउस ने एप्रूव किया था। कल की जो बिजिनैस एडवाइजरी कमेटी की रिपोर्ट है, उसको हाउस ने एक्सैप्ट नहीं किया है। बिना हाउस की एक्सप्टेंस के पहली रिपोर्ट स्टैंड करती है। इसलिए उस पर बहस होनी चाहिये।

श्री मधु लिमये : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, एस्टीमेट्स कमेटी की रपट के बारे में समय-समय पर मैंने सवाल पूछे हैं और इसके लिए पीला फार्म भी तय किया गया था। अब उनकी रिपोर्ट से साबित होता है कि सरकार के द्वारा अपनी रिपोर्ट देने में देरी और विलम्ब हो रहा है। इसलिए मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि हमारे जो सवाल थे उनका जवाब एक निजी पत्र के द्वारा मुझ को क्यों दिया गया, सदन में क्यों नहीं दिया गया? नियम 40 को आप देखें। सदन में यह सवाल आएगा और जवाब आएगा तो सरकार के ऊपर भी दबाव रहेगा कि वह एस्टीमेट्स कमेटी और पब्लिक एकाउंट्स कमेटी की रिपोर्ट पर अपनी राय जल्दी दे दें। इस बात को वह ध्यान में रखें और मेरे सवालों का चेयरमैन हाउस में जवाब दें, प्राइवेटली जवाब न दें।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Mr. Thirumala Rao may reply when he is ready.

SHRI THIRUMALA RAO: I want some notice to reply.

14.52 HRS.

COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS
SIXTH REPORT

DR. MAITREYEE BASU (Darjeeling): I present the Sixth Report of the Committee on Petitions.

PETITION *RE.* BANKING LAWS (APPLICATION TO CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES) ACT, 1965

SHRI UMANATH (Pudukkottai): I present a petition signed by Shri Shibdas Mukherjee and others regarding the Banking Laws (Application to Co-operative Societies) Act, 1965.

CORRECTION OF ANSWER TO S.Q. NO. 621 *RE.* SETTING UP OF A PIG IRON PLANT AT GOA

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT): In answer to part (a) & (b) of Question No. 621 on 16th December, 1969, I had stated that another application from a private party for the production of 255,000 tonnes of billets has been received and is under consideration. I would like to point out that the correct position in this respect is that the location of the Unit is proposed to be at Hospet, while the party setting up the Unit is from Goa.

STATEMENT UNDER DIRECTION 115

DISPLAY OF NOTES OF SLEEPING AND SITTING CAPACITY IN A RAILWAY COMPARTMENT

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU (Diamond Harbour): On 25-11-1969, in the reply to my Unstarred Question No. 1235, the Railway Minister said the following :—

"Subject:—Display of notices of sleeping and sitting capacity in a Com partment.

(a) whether notices, describing the sleeping and sitting capacity of a compartment, were previously used to be displayed inside the compartment;

(b) whether those notices have now been erased;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether this amounts to violation of the provisions of the Indian Railway Act?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GOVINDA MENON): (a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) & (d). Do not arise."

I firmly maintain that what has been stated under item No. (b) in reply is incorrect and by stating this the Railway Minister has placed something before the House which is not correct and true. I have no reasons to believe that he is not aware of the correct position. Many Hon. members of this House have confirmed in writing supporting my contention. I invite the Hon. Railway Minister to make a correct and true statement on the floor of the House to apprise the members.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. L. CHATURVEDI): Sir,—

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: Let him lay it on the Table of the House.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Yes.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. L. CHATURVEDI): Yes, Sir. I lay it on the Table.

STATEMENT

In the notice under direction 115 it has been alleged that what had been stated in reply to part (b) of the question under reference was incorrect and by stating this the Minister for Railways placed something before the House which was not correct and true.

The negative reply to part (b) of the question under reference was based on the fact that instructions continue to be enforced to the effect that the sleeping and sitting capacity of the compartment should be displayed inside the coaches and the practice is to repaint these notices whenever necessary at the time of periodical overhaul of coaches in workshops. These notices are being displayed by the Railways and no instructions have been issued by them to erase the notices.

As regards the erasure of notices referred to by the Hon'ble M.Ps a detailed check is being made with a view to remove deficiencies wherever these might be existing.

14.56 HRS.

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS BY MEMBERS

श्री मधु लिमये (मुंगेर) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, 2 दिसम्बर, 1969 को प्रश्नोत्तर

[श्री मधु लिमये]

के समय मेरे द्वारा उद्योग विकास मंत्री को लिखे गये पत्र के गायब होने का उल्लेख किया गया था। चूंकि उस दिन राज्य मंत्री श्री रघुनाथ रेड्डी प्रश्नों का जवाब दे रहे थे इसलिए कुछ अखबारों ने गलतफहमी में छापा कि मैंने जो पत्र श्री रघुनाथ रेड्डी को लिखा था वही गायब हुआ है। कुछ सदस्यों के मन में भी इस तरह का सन्देह उत्पन्न हुआ होगा, इसलिए मैं इस बात का स्पष्टीकरण देना चाहता हूं।

असल में कापड़िया परिवार के सट्टेबाजी सम्बन्धी गतिविधियों के बारे में कई पत्र उद्योग मंत्रालय को मैंने लिखे हैं। सब से पहला, लम्बा पत्र 3 सितम्बर 1968 को मैंने लिखा था जिस में किलिक निक्सन उद्योग समूह की कम्पनियों को तथा नैशनल रिओन कम्पनी को कब्जे में लेने के बारे में इस परिवार द्वारा क्या प्रयास किये जा रहे हैं उसकी तफसील मैंने दी थी। उसके पश्चात् श्री रघुनाथ रेड्डी को इस साल की 26 अगस्त को मैंने कोहिनूर मिल्ज के नाम से नैशनल रेओन के शेयर्ज खरीदे जाने के बारे में एक खत लिखा था।

जो पत्र गायब हुआ था वह है पहला लम्बा पत्र जोकि मैंने श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद को भेजा था। यह पत्र मैंने पार्लिमैंटरी नोटिस आफिस के द्वारा भेजा था और लोक सभा के दस्तावेजों से पता चलता है कि यह बाकायदा काबीना के सदस्य श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद को आपके दफ्तर के द्वारा पहुंचाया गया था। यही पहला पत्र उनकी फाइल से गायब हो गया। मुझे ऐसा लगता है कि यह चोरी हुआ। इस पत्र के बारे में मैंने उनको पुनश्च 4 अक्तूबर, 1968 को स्मरण पत्र दिया। तब मंत्री महोदय ने एक सन्देशवाहक मेरे पास भेजा और मुझ से कहा कि मेरा 3 सितम्बर, 1968 का पत्र गायब है और मैं उसकी एक नकल दूं। मैंने तत्काल सन्देशवाहक को उसकी नकल दी। श्री रघुनाथ रेड्डी को मैंने जो पत्र लिखा था वह गायब नहीं हुआ, श्री फखरुद्दीन अली अहमद को जो लिखा था वह गायब हुआ था।

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RAGHUNATHA REDDY) *rose*—

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: (Delhi Sadar): Why should the Minister reply? The hon. Member has made his statement. The matter ends there.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY (Kendrapara): One personal explanation, and again another reply to it ? (*Interruption*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Leave it. It is all right. Shri Lakkappa.

SHRI K. LAKKAPPA (Tumkur): Sir, under rule 357 of the Rules of Procedure of this House, I want to make the following personal statement clarifying my position with regard to the unfortunate and regrettable incident that took place in the House on the 22nd December, 1969.

A garbled and distorted version has appeared in the press to create an impression as if there was an exchange of blows between me and another Member, Shri Satya Narayan Singh. This is incorrect and I repudiate it. But, at the same time, there was shouting and a lot of commotion which do not add to the prestige and dignity of the House. I feel that I should have acted with greater restraint in spite of provocations.

Let me make it clear that I uphold the dignity and decorum of the House and shall never be a party to a situation which may undermine the Parliament and our democratic traditions. We are pledged to democratic methods, and I can assure you and also the House that I shall always endeavour to co-operate in maintaining proper and healthy conventions.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: In this connection, I had talked with the Speaker—and I will make an appeal to you also—that the report that has appeared in the press is completely distorted. It was a distorted item of news. There was no exchange of blows. But the headlines in all our national newspapers said there

was an exchange of fists between two hon. Members.

AN HON. MEMBER: *Mukka mukki.*

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: *Mukka mukki*, they say. I do not know. And the Speaker agreed with me—I was not present here at that time—that there was no such thing and the press has carried a most incorrect news. I hope the Chair would also warn them that in future, on matters like this, they should take care to see that proper reporting is made.

15 HRS.

SHRI S. KUNDU (Balasore): Mr. Lakkappa has said there was no such fight. I craved your indulgence because unless you allow me to raise this privilege issue, further damage will be done.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Privilege does not arise. I have ruled it out.

SHRI S. KUNDU: All right; I will not use the word 'privilege'. An emergent situation has arisen. Papers have reported that there was a fight and all that. This will go on unless it is contradicted. Therefore, I wanted to suggest that by such publications, contempt of this House has been committed and a privilege motion should be there.

SHRI TENNETI VISWANATHAM: (Visakhapatnam): At 1.30 PM on that day, I also heard the AIR announce that there was fisting here. On that, I gave a privilege motion and the Speaker was good enough to say that the motion has been forwarded to the Minister and he would give his ruling later.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I would join with Mr. Dwivedy and I would say that while reporting the proceedings of the House, the papers should take care to verify that their report about what was said or what has happened in the House is correct before it goes into print. I am sure we would all appreciate the sentiments expressed by Mr. Lakkappa that despite tempers being aroused, we must do everything to maintain and promote the dignity and decorum of the House.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: What about the communist members? He has not expressed his regret. (*Interruptions*)

15.02 HRS.

TAXATION LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO SELECT COMMITTEE

SHRI TENNETI VISWANATHAM: (Visakhapatnam): I beg to move :

> "That this House do appoint Shri Beni Shanker Sharma to the Select Committee on the Bill further to amend the Income-tax Act, 1961, the Wealth-tax Act, 1957, the Gift-tax Act, 1958, and the Companies (Profits) Surtax Act, 1964 *vice* Shri Brij Bhushan Lal resigned."

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: The question is :

> "That this House do appoint Shri Beni Shanker Sharma to the Select Committee on the Bill further to amend the Income-tax Act, 1961, the Wealth-tax Act, 1957, the Gift-tax Act, 1958 and the Companies (Profits) Surtax Act, 1964 *vice* Shri Brij Bhushan Lal resigned."

The motion was adopted.

KHADI AND OTHER HANDLOOM INDUSTRIES DEVELOPMENT (ADDITIONAL EXCISE DUTY ON CLOTH) AMENDMENT BILL

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI RAM SEWAK): I beg to move for leave to withdraw the Bill further to amend the Khadi and Other Handloom Industries Development (Additional Excise Duty on Cloth) Act, 1953, which was introduced on the 14th November, 1967.

SHRI SRINIBAS MISRA (Cuttack): Under rule 111, I would like to say this. From 1967 this Bill is before the House. Today at the fag end of 1969, after wasting so much time, it is being withdrawn on the ground that there was a misconception. Sir, they are talking so many things regarding socialist pattern. Now with an apology of the same socialist pattern, we will permit it to be withdrawn.

श्री शिव चन्द्र झा (मधुबनी) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, मंत्री महोदय ने कोई संतोषजनक जवाब नहीं दिया है कि वह इस बिल को विदड्रा क्यों कर रहे हैं।

[श्री शिव चन्द्र झा]

इस बिल को 1967 में यहां पेश किया गया था और उस के बाद दो साल तक उस को यहां पास करने का प्रयत्न नहीं किया गया। अब कौन सी घटना हो गई है, जिस के कारण मंत्री महोदय इस विधेयक को विदड्रा कर रहे हैं। इस से यह साबित होता है कि सरकार अपने कानूनों को सोच-समझ कर नहीं बनाती है, बल्कि जल्दबाजी में बनाती है और इसी लिए उस को बार बार संशोधन करने पड़ते हैं, बिलों को वापिस लेना पड़ता है और एपालोजाइज करना पड़ता है।

श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय (उज्जैन) : मंत्री महोदय इस बात का खुलासा करें कि जब वह लगातार दो साल तक इस विधेयक पर विचार करते रहे, तो अब इस को वापिस लेने का कारण क्या है।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: A statement giving the reasons why the Bill is being withdrawn has been circulated to hon. Members already. Now the question is:

> "That leave be granted to withdraw the Bill further to amend the Khadi and Other Handloom Industries Development (Additional Excise Duty on Cloth) Act, 1953, which was introduced on the 14th November, 1967."

The motion was adopted.

SHRI RAM SEWAK: I withdraw the Bill.

15.07 Hrs.

CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL*

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT): I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to customs duties.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Motion moved :

> "That leave be granted to introduce a Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to customs duties."

श्री शिव चन्द्र झा (मधुबनी) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, विदेश व्यापार मंत्री ने यह जो कस्टम्ज टैरिफ़ बिल पेश किया है, मैं उस के इन्ट्रोडक्शन का विरोध करता हूं।

पहली बात तो यह है कि यह विधेयक एक तरह से गैर-कानूनी है। इस के स्टेटमेंट ऑफ आबजेक्ट्स एंड रीजन्ज में कहा गया है कि इंडियन टैरिफ़ एक्ट, 1934 की अनुसूचियों में संशोधन करने के लिए यह एक काम्प्रिहेंसिवल बिल लाया गया है। दो दिन पहले हम ने इंडियन टैरिफ़ (एमेंडमेंट) बिल पास कर के इंडियन टैरिफ़ एक्ट में संशोधन कर दिया है, लेकिन इस विधेयक के पेज 58, चैप्टर 50 पर वही रेट दिये गये हैं, जो कि इंडियन टैरिफ़ एक्ट में दिये गये थे, हालांकि इंडियन टैरिफ़ (एमेंडमेंट) बिल के द्वारा उन रेट्स में परिवर्तन कर दिया गया है। उदाहरण के लिए वर्तमान बिल, कस्टम्ज टैरिफ़ बिल, में रा सिल्क के लिए 60 पर सेंट रखा गया है, जो कि इंडियन टैरिफ़ एक्ट, 1934 में दिया गया है, जब कि इंडियन टैरिफ़ (एमेंडमेंट) बिल में 30 परसेंट दिया गया है। इसी प्रकार कस्टम्ज टैरिफ़ बिल में सिल्क वेस्ट के लिए 60 पर सेंट रखा गया है, जो कि इंडियन टैरिफ़ एक्ट, 1934 में दिया गया है, हालांकि इंडियन टैरिफ़ (एमेंडमेंट) बिल में 50 पर सेंट दिया गया है।

मेरे कहने का तात्पर्य यह है कि यद्यपि दो दिन पहले सदन ने एक विधेयक पास कर के सिल्क के सम्बन्ध में रेट्स में परिवतन कर दिया है, लेकिन वर्तमान विधेयक में पुराने रेट्स को ही रखा गया है। हम लोगों ने इंडियन टैरिफ़ एक्ट, 1934 में जो संशोधन किया है, यह विधेयक उस को मद्देनजर रखते हुए पेश नहीं किया गया है, बल्कि पुराने एक्ट के मुताबिक ही पेश किया गया है। हम लोगों ने दो दिन पहले जो

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विधेयक पास किया है, यह विधेयक उस के खिलाफ है।

इस विधेयक के स्टेटमेंट आफ़ आबजेक्ट्स एंड रीज़न्ज में कहा गया है कि इस विधेयक में युनाइटिड किंगडम-इंडिया ट्रेड एग्रीमेंट, 1939 के अन्तर्गत निश्चित की गई प्रेफ़रेंसिज़ को कायम रखा जा रहा है। 1939 में हमारा देश आज़ाद नहीं हुआ था और उस समय ब्रिटेन और भारत के बीच में जो समझौते हुए, वे ब्रिटेन के फ़ायदे को दृष्टि में रख कर किये गये थे। इस विधेयक के द्वारा इसी प्रकार के एक समझौते की बातों को कायम रखा जा रहा है। हाल ही में ब्रिटेन ने भारत से कपड़े के ड्यूटी-फ्री इम्पोर्ट को खत्म करने की बात कही है और साथ ही वह 15 पर सेंट और ड्यूटी लगा रहा है। ब्रिटेन इस देश की एक्सपोर्ट मार्केट को खत्म कर रहा है, लेकिन सरकार इस विधेयक में उन्हीं शर्तों और व्यवस्थाओं को कायम रखना चाहती है, जिस से ब्रिटेन को फ़ायदा होगा, हिन्दुस्तान को नहीं।

यह विधेयक कानून के खिलाफ़ है, संविधान की स्पिरिट के खिलाफ़ है और इस के साथ ही हमारे एक्सपोर्ट करने के प्रयत्नों के खिलाफ़ है। इस लिए मैं इस के इन्ट्रोडक्शन का विरोध करता हूं।

श्री व० रा० भगत: उपाध्यक्ष जी, मेरी समझ में नहीं आता कि एक कानून टैरिफ़ बिल जो यहां से पास हुआ लोक सभा से उस के ऐक्ट होने में दो और स्टेजेज़ अभी बाकी हैं। राज्य सभा से पास होना है और इस के बाद राष्ट्रपति जी की उस पर मोहर लगनी है। तब वह ऐक्ट बनेगा। अब वह चाहते हैं कि चूंकि यहां सभा ने पास कर दिया तो हम सब उस में चेंज कर दें तो वह तो ऐक्ट बने बिना कैसे कर सकते हैं।

श्री शिव चन्द्र झा: प्वाइंट ऑफ आर्डर, इन्होंने कहा कि यहां से पास हुआ है, राज्य सभा से पास नहीं हुआ है और अभी राष्ट्रपति की स्वीकृति होगी तब कानून बनेगा। इस में आप देखें पुराने कानून में क्या लिखा है... (**व्यवधान**) यह सदन को गुमराह कर रहे हैं। इस में अगर यह पुराने ऐक्ट को रखें तो उस में फैब्रिक्स पर 100 पर सेंट है उस के मुताबिक भी नहीं है। तो यह न पुराने ऐक्ट पर आधारित है न नये ऐक्ट पर आधारित है। इस तरह यह बिलकुल सदन को गुमराह कर रहे हैं।...

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: The question is :

"That leave be granted to introduce a Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to customs duties."

The motion was adopted.

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT: Sir, I introduce† the Bill.

15·12 HRS.

ASSAM REORGANISATION (MEGHALAYA) BILL—*Contd.*

Clause 2—*Contd.*

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Now we shall take up the Assam Reorganisation (Meghalaya) Bill, clause-by-clause consideration. One hour has been allotted for this, but, if we can finish it before that, we shall try to do so. We were on clause 2 to which amendments were moved by Shri Tyagi. Would he like to speak on them ?

श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी (मुरादाबाद): मेरा सुझाव यह है कि जितने मेरे अमेंडमेंट्स हैं उन सब पर मैं बोल लूं।

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA (Delhi Sadar): Sir, to save time I suggest that those who have tabled amendments may speak on all their amendments in five minutes and the Minister may reply to all of them. That way we shall finish it earlier.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: If the House agrees, those who have given notices of amendments can speak on all the amend-

†Introduced with the recommendation of the President.

[Mr. Deputy-Speaker]

ments together and the Minister will reply. Then I will put all the amendments together and all the clauses together to the vote of the House.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY (Kendrapara): That will not be regular. Let them speak as you have suggested while putting them to vote you have to put it clause by clause.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: All right.

श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी: उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, पहले से ही मेरी यह मान्यता रही है कि आसाम के हिल ट्राइब्स की भलाई के लिए गवर्नमेंट को अधिक से अधिक अच्छा बिल लाना चाहिए था। परन्तु यह मानकर बोल रहा हूं कि उस दिशा में यह एक कदम है जो गवर्नमेंट ने ला कर यहां रखा है और इसलिए इस में मैं कुछ ऐडीशन देना चाहता हूं। जो आटोनामस स्टेट आपने बनाई हैं उस के साथ में कुछ डिस्ट्रिक्ट्स भी हैं नार्थ क्चार और मिकिर हिल्स जो अभी तक आटोनामस डिस्ट्रिक्ट्स रहे हैं। उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, आप भी आसाम से आते हैं, आप इस बात को अच्छी तरह से जानते होंगे, आसाम के हिल पीपुल्स ने आसाम के हिल ट्राइब्ज को एक्सप्लायट किया क्यों कि वह पिछड़े हुए थे, गरीब थे। यही स्थिति हिल ट्राइब्स में है।

15·14 HRS.

[SHRI K. N. TIWARY *in the Chair*]

उस में कुछ लोग आधिक आगे बढ़े हुए हैं, ऐडवांस्ड हैं और कुछ लोग पिछड़े हुए हैं वहां विदेशी मिशनरियों की सेवाओं की सराहना मैं करता हूं। उन के कारण से कुछ ट्राइब्स के हिस्से ज्यादा ऐडवांस्ड हो गए हैं और कुछ बहुत पिछड़े हुए हैं। नार्थ क्चार और मिकिर हिल्स पिछड़े हुए हैं और जयन्तिया और खासी हिल्स यह ऐडवांस्ड ट्राइब्स हैं। उन लोगों को यह भय है कि अगर नई स्टेट बन गई तो तमाम जितनी अच्छाइयां हैं, जितनी कि नई स्टेट्स के नाम पर उनको पावर्स मिलेंगी वह सब कुछ आदमियों के हाथ में चली जायेंगी। सोशलिस्टक नारों के साथ-साथ एक और आवाज उठ रही है इस देश में कि कुछ मुट्ठी भर लोगों के हाथ में कोई पावर न दी जाये लेकिन यह स्थिति आप करने जा रहे हैं। कुछ मुट्ठी भर लोगों के हाथ में आसाम के ट्राइब्ज के लोगों को दे देना सारी पावर्स उनके हाथ में दे देना यह मैं ठीक नहीं समझता। यह तो सब को एक ऐसे ढंग से बनाते कि किसी की मेजोरिटी न हो जाये लेकिन जो आप बना रहे हैं उसमें कुछ मुट्ठी भर लोगों की मेजोरिटी हो जाती है। इसलिए मेरा कहना है कि जो मेघालय बना रहे हैं उसके साथ-साथ जो डिस्ट्रिक्ट हैं नार्थ कचार और मिकिर हिल्स के, उनको भी आप यह अधिकार दीजिये कि वह चाहें तो उनके साथ मिल जायें और नहीं चाहें तो सेपरेट रहें। स्वतंत्र एटोनामस जिले के रूप में उन्हें भी वही पावर्स मिलनी चाहिए जिससे कि वह भी मेघालय की तरह आसाम के अन्तर्गत अपनी उन्नति कर सकें। यही मेरा सुझाव है और यही मैंने अपने अमेंडमेंट्स में दिया है कि जहां भी मेघालय लिखा है वहां ये आटोनामस जोड़ दिए जायें और परिभाषा में मैंने यह दिया है कि

"Autonomous District" means the Autonomous Districts of North Cachar Hills or Mikir Hills.

आठवीं लाइन के पश्चात् ये शब्द उसमें जोड़ दिए जाएं। इसको जोड़ देने से आसाम के इस लंगड़े बिल को हम सभी ट्राइब्स के लिए हितकारी बना सकते हैं अन्यथा कल फिर आंदोलन होंगे कि मुट्ठी भर लोगों के हाथ में पावर चली गई और पिछड़े हुए लोग पीछे रह जायेंगे। जिन लोगों को विदेशी मिशनरियों ने पढ़ा लिखा कर आगे कर दिया है उनके हाथ में पावर चली जायेगी और जो नंगे भूखे हैं वह जैसे

के तैसे पड़े रह जायेंगे। मेरा कहना यह है कि इस बिल में उनकी भी सुरक्षा होनी चाहिए।

दूसरी बात मैं यह कहना चाहता हूं कि आपने जो बिल बनाया है इसमें या तो इस सब-स्टेट को न बनाते, मैंने पहले भी कहा है कि जब आप बनाने लगे हैं तो ऐसी स्थिति बना लीजिए कि मेघालय को आप चाहे अलग टैरीटरी बनायें या अगल नागालैंड की तरह स्टैटहुड दे दें जिससे भारतवर्ष के अन्य प्रान्तों में यह बीमारी न फैले। नहीं तो हर प्रांत में सब-स्टेट की बीमारी खड़ी हो जायेगी। क्लाज 7 में जो यह दिया है उसके अनुसार मेघालय की अवस्था यह है:—

"The Chief Minister shall be appointed by the Governor and the other Ministers shall be appointed by the Governor on the advice of the Chief Minister, and the Ministers shall hold office during the pleasure of the Governor."

मेरे कहने का मतलब यह है कि यह तो ब्रिटिश गवर्नमेंट के टाइम की स्टेट बन गई। से गवर्नर जनरल साहब नियुक्ति करेंगे चीफ मिनिस्टर की और मिनिस्टर्स की। यह बिल्कुल गलत है। मेघालय बनता है तो मेघालय के लोगों की आवाज का सम्मान करना चाहिए। होम मिनिस्टर कह रहे थे कि जनसंघ वाले विरोध कर रहे हैं, लेकिन आपने मेघालय के चीफ मिनिस्टर और मिनिस्टर्स की नियुक्ति गवर्नर के हाथ रखी है। इस प्रकार से आपने मेघालय की गर्दन को सेंटर के हाथ में रख दिया है। यह इन्डायरेक्ट वे में अपनी सब-स्टेट बना दी .... (**व्यवधान**) .....में अपने सभी अमेंडमेंट्स पर बोल रहा हूं। ज्यादा समय नहीं लूंगा। मेरा मतलब यह था कि मेघालय जब आप बना रहे हैं तो मेघालय का चीफ मिनिस्टर मेघालय की जनता के द्वारा इलक्टेड होना चाहिए। वह गवर्नर के द्वारा एपाइंटेड नहीं होना चाहिए। और मिनिस्टर्स भी लेजिस्लेचर द्वारा जिस प्रकार से और असेम्बलियों में बनाते हैं उसी प्रकार से बनने चाहिएं, गवर्नर के द्वारा नहीं।

इसके आगे देखें उसी 8 में यह लिखा है—

"The Governor may, if the thinks fit to do so, appoint a person who is qualified to be appointed a judge of a High Court to be the Advocate-General for Meghalaya."

एडवोकेट जनरल जो किसी भी स्टेट के गवर्नर को सलाह देने के लिए होता है, वह चाहे तो गवर्नर नियुक्त करे चाहे तो न करे! मेरी प्रार्थना है कि जब मेघालय आपने बनाया ही है तो उसे इतनी पावर्स दीजिए जिससे कि वहां की जनता के जो एस्पीरेशन्स हैं उनको वह संतुष्ट कर सके अन्यथा कल आसाम की गवर्नमेंट और मेघालय की उस स्टेट में संघर्ष पैदा होगा। लेकिन दुर्भाग्यवश हमारी गवर्नमेंट की नीति रही है कि समझदारी से पहले कोई काम करती नहीं और जब आन्दोलन होते हैं 10-5 बिल्डिंगों में आग लगती है, 10-5 लाशें बिछ जाती हैं तब गवर्नमेंट उस पर विचार करती है और काम को करती है। लेकिन मैं प्रार्थना करूंगा कि होम मिनिस्टर खून-खराबी से पहले ही इस लंगड़े बिल को ठीक कर दें। मेघालय दिया है तो फुल पावर्स के साथ दीजिए और मेघालय के साथ-साथ नार्थ कचार और मिकिर हिल्स के बारे में जो सुझाव मैंने दिया है उसे भी स्वीकार करें।

श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त : (दिल्ली सदर) : सभापति जी, इस विधेयक में मेरे 6 संशोधन हैं। एक तो क्लाज 3 में है जिसमें यह कहा गया है कि नार्थ कचार और मिकिर हिल्स की जो कौंसिल्स हैं उनको अधिकार दिया गया है कि वह दो-तिहाई मेजोरिटी से यह तय करे कि मेघालय का हिस्सा बनना चाहते हैं या नहीं। तो दो-तिहाई की जगह में कहा है कि तीन-चौथाई होना

[श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त]

चाहिए। दूसरा संशोधन मेरा क्लाज 6 में है जिसमें यह कहा है कि :

"There shall be a Council of Ministers...."

मैंने यह कहा है :

"There shall be a Council of Ministers not exceeding four ...."

मैं समझता हूं कि मंत्री महोदय यह मानेंगे और यह सारे सदन ने स्वीकार किया है, कई बार सरकार ने भी स्वीकार किया है कि कोई न कोई मैक्सिमम लिमिट लगनी चाहिए। कई बार कोई पोलिटिकल इनस्टेब्लिटी आती है तो जितने मैम्बर होते हैं उससे आधे मिनिस्टर हो जाते हैं। आपको याद होगा एक बार हरियाणा में जिसमें केवल 5 डिस्ट्रिक्ट हैं 24-25 मिनिस्टर्स बन गये थे यानी एक-एक तहसील के ऊपर एक-एक मंत्री। इसलिए मैंने कहा है कि ज्यादा से ज्यादा चार मंत्री होने चाहिएं। तीन हो सकते हैं, दो हो सकते हैं, लेकिन अधिक से अधिक चार होने चाहिएं।

तीसरा मेरा संशोधन है क्लाज 11 में। उसमें यह बात कही गई है:

"The Governor may, if he is of opinion that any minority community in Meghalaya need representation in the Legislative Assembly and are not adequately represented therein, nominate not more than three members.

अगर कोई माइनोरिटी कम्युनिटी या कम्युनिटीज का रिप्रेजेंटेशन नहीं है लेजिस्लेटिव असेम्बली में और वह ऐडिक्वेटली रिप्रेजेंटेड नहीं है, गवर्नर को यह अधिकार होगा कि वह तीन तक सदस्य चुन सकते हैं, मैंने उस में यह कहा है कि यह शब्द जो एडिक्वेटली है इसे हटा दिया जाये। अगर किसी माइनोरिटी का कोई नुमाइन्दा नहीं है तो गवर्नर को अधिकार होना चाहिए। यह एडिक्वेट के पीछे उस की बैकडोर एन्ट्री जिस को आप लाना चाहते हैं और जिस के कारण से आप यह अधिकार लेना चाहते हैं, यह हथियार सरकार को नहीं मिलना चाहिए और डेमोक्रेटिक फंक्शनिंग के लिए अगर माइनोरिटी को कोई सुरक्षा भी देनी है अगर वह रिप्रेजेंटेड नहीं है हाउस में जैसा कि एंग्लो इंडियन्स के केस में कहा गया कि अगर रिप्रेजेंटेड नहीं है तो गवर्नर यह कर सकता है या प्रेसिडेंट कर सकता है उसी प्रकार से मैं चाहूंगा कि अगर कोई उनका रिप्रेजेंटेशन नहीं है तो उस समय अधिकार होना चाहिए और 5 के बजाय मैंने 3 कहा है।

अगला संशोधन मेरा क्लाज 29 के अन्दर है। उसमें उन्होंने यह कहा है :

"A person shall be disqualified for being chosen as, and for being, a member of the Legislative Assembly,—"

यानी डिस्क्वालिफिकेशन क्या-क्या होनी चाहिएं ये सब बातें उन्होंने कही हैं। उसमें मैंने यह बात जोड़ी है कि अगर कोई सदस्य अनलाफुल एक्टीविटीज प्रिविंशन ऐक्ट 1957 जो हमने अभी पास किया जिसके अन्दर यह अधिकार है कि अगर कोई व्यक्ति यह घोषणा करे, इस बात का प्रचार करे कि हम हिन्दुस्तान से अलग करना चाहते हैं। उसको कोर्ट दण्ड दे सकता है उसमें यदि किसी व्यक्ति का कनविक्शन हो जाये अदालत से तो चूंकि उसकी एक्स्ट्रा टेरिटोरियल लायल्टी है इसलिए उसको भी एक्सक्लूड करना चाहिए।

दूसरा मेरा संशोधन है 73 के अन्दर, जिसमें यह कहा गया है कि :

"Every order made under this section shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament as soon as may be after it is made.

मैंने यह कहा है कि इन्होंने जो आर्डर की बात ऊपर कही है और वह बहुत इम्पोर्टेन्ट आर्डर्स करने के अधिकार दिए हैं तो इसके बजाय कि वे टेबिल पर ले कर दें मैंने

यह कहा है कि संसद् की एप्रूवल चाहिए।

ये मेरे संशोधन हैं और मैं प्रार्थना करूंगा कि मंत्री महोदय इनको स्वीकार कर लें।

श्री शिव चन्द्र झा : (मधुबनी) : सभापति जी, इस विधेयक का हम लोग तो स्वागत करते ही हैं लेकिन फिर भी मेरे कुछ संशोधन हैं। जब आर्डिनेंस की बात की जाती है और यहां कहा है :

Clause 50 :—

"An Ordinance promulgated....

(a) shall be laid before the Legislative Assembly and shall cease to operate at the expiration of six weeks from the reassembly of the Legislative Assembly.....

मैं यहां 6 की जगह 4 हफ्ते रखना चाहता हूं। इसकी वजह यह है कि आप जानते हैं एक नया एक्सपेरीमेंट इस विधेयक के जरिये से किया जा रहा है सब-स्टेट का, उनकी भावनाओं की पूर्ति करने के लिए और साथ-साथ डिसेंट्रलाइजेशन की बात भी हम आगे बढ़ा रहे हैं। लेकिन आर्डिनेन्स भले ही आप सिक्योरिटी के लिए करें या किसी और ऐसे कार्य के लिए करें। वह डेमोक्रेटिक रूप उसका नहीं होता है और ज्यादा दिन जो उसके लिए लिख रहे हैं यह कोई अच्छा चीज नहीं होती है। कोशिश यह होनी चाहिए कि जितने थोड़े असें के लिए जारी रहे उतना ही अच्छा है। इसलिए जब हम एक नई शुरूआत कर रहे हैं तो यह 6 हफ्ते वाली जो बात है उसको कम कर दें। आप यह कहेंगे कि दूसरी जगह भी यही सिलसिला है तो उसके लिए मेरा यह कहना है कि जब एक नया एक्सपेरिमेंट यहां कर रहे हैं तो 6 हफ्ते की जगह 4 हफ्ते का एक्सपेरिमेंट इसमें करें।

दूसरा संशोधन मेरा है क्लाज 62 में :

"The Central Government may nominate to the Provisional Legislative Assembly not more than three persons, not being persons in the service of the Government, to represent any minority communities in Meghalaya which, in its opinion, need representation in the Assembly.

अब यहां नामीनेशन्स की बात है। कोशिश यही होनी चाहिए कि नामीनेशन का सिलसिला खत्म हो और जैसा कि हमने कहा एंग्लो इंडियन कम्युनिटी के नामीनेशन की बात आई थी उसमें 2 की जगह 1 कर दिया यह भी हम सोचते हैं कि एक दिन वह आयेगा जब नामीनेशन की जरूरत नहीं होगी और उनको इलेक्शन लड़ना पड़ेगा और यह सिलसिला अच्छा भी नहीं है। तो जहां एक नया एक्सपेरीमेंट कर रहे हैं वहां इसमें भी 3 की जगह 2 कर दें।

63 में मेरा एक संशोधन है जिसके ऊपर मंत्री महोदय गौर करें तो मानना लाजिमी हो जायेगा।

क्लाज 63 में है:—

"The Central Government may, in consultation with the Governments of Assam and Meghalaya by order constitute a committee consisting of such number of personsas it may think fit for advising the two Governments on matters of common interest....

आप आसाम और मेघालय सरकारों की राय से "तब नम्बर आफ परसन्ज" को एडवाइजर नियुक्त करने जा रहे हैं। मान लीजिये आप टी० पी० सिंह या मेनन को जो उस इलाके के नहीं हैं यहां एडवाइजर नियुक्त करते हैं तो यह अच्छा नहीं होगा। तो मेरा संशोधन है कि जो आसाम और मेघालय के रिप्रेजेन्टेड अफसर हैं उन्हीं के जो अफसर और कर्मचारी हैं, उन्हीं को वहां पर एडवाइज करें, उन को ही एडवाइजर बनायें, टी० पी० सिंह या मेनन को या जो बाहर के लोग हैं इन को वहां एडवाइजर न बनावें। क्योंकि वहां

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के लोग वहां के वातावरण को अच्छी तरह से जानते हैं और वे ज्यादा अच्छी सलाह दे सकते हैं और वहां यह भावना भी पैदा होगी कि हमारे ही बीच के जो अफसर हैं, वे ही काम कर रहे हैं।

मेरे तीन संशोधन हैं—मैं चाहूंगा कि मंत्री महोदय इन पर जवाब दें।

SHRI HEM BARUA (Mangaldai): The sub-State of Meghalaya is proposed to be composed of two districts of Assam; one is the Khasi and Jaintia-Hills districts and the other is the Garo Hills district. What is going to happen about the North Cachar and Mikir or Mizo hill district? There is nothing about them in this Bill.

This Bill has a number of articles and clauses. Therefore, I wanted that this Bill should be referred to a Joint Committee. In the interests of Parliament and in order to do credit to Parliament, I wanted this Bill to be consigned to a Joint Committee of Parliament, so that the provisions in the articles and clauses in the Bill might be carefully examined and that examination will reflect credit on Parliament. What is the haste in it? What is the hurry about it? I do not understand it.

Whatever that be, there are several transitory provisions. I want article 62 to be deleted. Who would get the power in Meghalaya? That is the problem. About the transitional powers, analogies have been drawn with the instance we had when the British power withdrew from this country, when power was handed over to the Congress Party; but the Congress Party was in power then. So, the analogy does not go parallal with the Meghalaya analogy, because Meghalaya is only a sub-State, but India became independent from the British rulers. Therefore, that analogy does not hold good here.

There is a district council also. This would elect 35 Members of the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly. I have tabled an amendment in regard to the district council and also the regional councils. I have said that the district council and the regional council should go. This district council will have an electoral college to elect the Members from amongst themselves to the Legislative Assembly. I say that the electoral colleges are constituted only in order to elect the President or the Vice-President of this country according to the Constitution. Whatever that might be, this is a very serious matter. I do not understand how the members of the district council would be competent to elect from amongst themselves the members of the Legislative Assembly of Meghalaya. So, I submit that the provision regarding electoral college should go.

The district council is mentioned in the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution. This was visualised with a view to bringing about a sort of integration. I was never visualised with a view to bringing about a fragmentation of the existing State on the frontier. Whatever that be, these district councils enjoy judicial, executive and legislative powers also. I would submit that if we have the district councils and also the regional councils, then we shall have a sort of dyarchy in Meghalaya. Therefore, the district councils and regional councils should go. No Member of Parliament is allowed to be a member of the Assam Legislative Assembly, or of any other Legislative Assembly. Similarly, no MLA can be a Member of this Parliament. But here we find that the same man can become a member of the district council and at the same time a member of the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly. He plays dual role. As regards the North Cachar and Mikir Hills, I think the Asoka Mehta formula should be followed. But as regards the district councils, they were an admission of the backwardness of the Hills people. Now that they are going to have a separate State, a sub-State, an autonomous region, they are no longer backward. Therefore, the provision for district councils is an anomaly and therefore it should go. While handing over the government, do not give power to the district councils. Give power to the duly elected Legislative Assembly. If you do not do that, it will be a fraud on our democracy. I do not want that fraud to be perpetrated by a man like Shri Chavan.

Whatever that be, I think the clauses of the Bill are too pregnant for interpretation and the Bill should go to a Joint Committee. There is no hurry. Today is the last day of our session. Do you think that it will go to Rajya Sabha today and they can get it passed?

The Rajya Sabha also is concluding its session today. Therefore, there is no hurry. In order to do credit to the Indian Parliament, it should be referred to a Joint Committee for examination in a spirit of friendliness and sympathy so that this Bill for Meghalaya might be a foolproof Bill.

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN): I have myself to move an amendment to clause 65.

Page 23, *for* lines 11 and 12, *sudstitute*—

"(b) on or after the appointed day, except in accordance with such rules as may be made by the Central Government after consultation with the Governments of Assam and Meghalaya."

What we are doing is to say that such rules may be made by the Central Government after consultation with the Governments of Assam and Meghalaya. Naturally when framing these rules, both the Governments have to be consulted, but in order to make the consultation more perfect, it is much better to give certain procedural details about it. This can be done only if certain rules are formulated beforehand.

Now I would like to deal with the amendments moved and reply to them clause by clause, because I find there is some sort of a system in this. To cl. 2, there are four amendments, Nos. 17, 20, 21 and 22, by Shri OP Tyagi. He wants a definition of the Legislative Assembly of Assam. I personally think this is unnecessary because what, we are trying to deal with in this Bill is the Assembly constituted under the Meghalaya Act. Therefore, the definition of Assembly is only related to the Meghalaya Assembly, and it would be a futile exercise again to define the Assam Assembly.

Amendments Nos. 20-22 amount to conferring on Mikir and North Cachar Hills autonomous status if they do not join Meghalaya. It is a rather wonderful logic they are following. In the first instance, they do not want an autonomous State in Assam. Now with a vengence, they want to have more than one, two or three, if possible. Our idea is not to have fragmentation of the State of Assam. Therefore, it is much better that if North Cachar Mikir Hills district does not want to join Meghalaya, they continue to remain part of Assam State proper. I do not think these amendments are called for.

श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी: लेकिन उन लोगों को ज्यादा पावर्स मिलनी चाहियें, जिससे उन का डवेलपमेंन्ट हो सके। मेघालय का तो डवेलपमेंन्ट हो जायगा, लेकिन उन का क्या होगा?

SHRI Y.B. CHAVAN: There is provision in the Bill, if you have seen it properly; under an amendment to the 6th schedule powers had been given to the Government to add more powers to the district councils.

SHRI HEM BARUA: What about the application of Asoka Mehta's formula to North Cachar and Mikir Hills.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: It is for the Assam Government.

SHRI HEM BARUA: Not for you?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: If they become part of Meghalaya, it will think about it; if they do not, the Assam Government will think about it.

Most hon. Members referred to the autonomous State as sub-State. I should like to correct that impression; this is not a sub-State; it is an autonomous State. Both have got different connotations. It has got autonomous status in some matters which had been delegated to that State. Let there be no misunderstanding. There are three amendments to clause 3. Shri K. L. Gupta's amendment No. 10 seeks to provide for a majority of three-fourths, instead of two-thirds in the district councils. Even for the purpose of amending the Constitution we have accepted a majority of two-thirds. I do not understand why we should make it three-fourths majority and make it thus more difficult. Therefore, I want to persuade Mr. Gupta not to insist on three-fourths majority. Amendments 23 and 24 of Tyagiji are also on the same lines. Amendments 25 and 26 to clause 4 are the same. There is an amendment No. 27 to clause 6 on the same lines. Amendment No. 11 to clause 6 fixes a ceiling of four on the Council of Ministers. This is an understandable concept. We may recall

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that in our Defections Committee Report there is a recommendation that there should be some sort of ceiling on the size of the cabinets; where there are two houses, ten per cent and where there is one chamber, eleven per cent. I do not understand why merely Meghalaya should be made an exceptior to begin with. If Parliament accepts this principle they can amend the Constitution itself and make it applicable to all the States. I do rot think it will be wise or correct or just....*(Interruptions.)* You can start with bigger States. Amendments 17, 18 and 19 to clause 7. It says that the Chief Minister should be elected by the Assembly instead of being appointed by the Governor and the Ministers should be appointed by the Chief Minister. I think Tyagiji has misunderstood the whole position. He feels as if the Governor is going to nominate the Chief Minister; it is not so because the Act speaks of the principle of collective responsibility to the legislature and that is exactly the principle that is followed in the case of appointments of the other Chief Ministers, even the Prime Minister. There is no danger that the Governor without any consideration of the majority wishes will, nominate anybody he likes. I hope he understands the point. Shri Gupta has argued that there should be two nominations instead of three. There are a number of small minority groups in Assam. It is better to keep it at three, rather than two.

SHRI HEM BARUA: There are two lakhs of non-tribal people in the hill areas.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: So, it is better to have a larger number of nominations, than a smaller number.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: Why do you not remove the Word 'adequate'.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: The draftsman feels that it is much better to have it and I agree with him.

Then, there is clause 12. This amendment seeks to reduce the maximum number of associate members for the delimitation of of constituencies from five to three. This number is kept flexible because at the present moment there are three District Councils. If two additional District Councils are added, there will be five. So, is it not better to have five members there? If the number is not added, most probably they will continue with three members. The flexibility is there, because this flexibility is inherent in the situation itself.

Then, clause 29. Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta has suggested in his amendment No. 14 that persons convicted for any unlawful activities should be debarred from being members of the Assembly. I think it is a good suggestion; it is a very good idea. But I do not know why Meghalaya alone should be chosen for this treatment. If this disqualification is made applicable to this Bill, then this can be made applicable to all the Members including Members of Parliament, including members of the other Assemblies, etc.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: Will you consider that ?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: If you feel that it should be applicable to Meghalaya, than there should be some sort of distrust in our mind about that particular area.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: Not that.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: I know you did not mean that, but it will imply that. That is the difficulty. If you start with some particular State, it will be rather very unjust. I therefore feel that if you want to advocate this principle, I would suggest that you may bring an amendment to the Representation of the people Act.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GWPTA: Why don't you bring an amendment to the Representation of the People Act, as a Government amendment?

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: It is a good suggestion; but I do not promise. Then, clause 50, amendment No. 29. It is for reducing the period of time within which an ordinance should be replaced. I do not understand it. Why are you going to make this four weeks restriction only for a small autonomous State of Meghalaya? This is a thing which has been accepted by the Constitution. The period within which the ordinance should be converted into law is six weeks. I do not understand why we should make this distinction between Meghalaya and other States.

Then, there is an amendment about the arrangements for a provisional assembly. Shri Hem Barua has argued his case just now about it. As you know, after this Bill becomes an Act, there are a large number of preparations to be made in this matter, because many things about the assets and liability and rule-making have to be attended to. Then there is always the danger of very heavy rains in Meghalaya. The name Meghalaya itself indicates heavy rains. It is a very long monsoon period at that time there. After the Bill becomes an Act, after Parliament passes the Bill for the creation of this State, we should not allow unreasonably any period to lapse. Therefore, the idea—

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY (Kendrapara): Cherrapunji is in Meghalaya.

श्री यशवन्त राव चह्वाण: जी हां। इसीलिए तो मेघालय बहा गया है।

I think therefore that this provisional arrangement is necessary. We should really look to the eagerness and enthusiasm and expectation with which the people of the hill areas are looking forward to this Bill to be passed. I am very sorry this Bill is delayed. Of course, this House has its privilege. But unfortunately this is not likely go to the Rajya Sabha, as Shri Hem Barua has stated. In any case, this Bill is likely to be delayed. I am very sorry for it. It is because of the eagerness of the people that once agree to create a State it is much better that it comes into existence quickly. I therefore plead with the hon. House to accept the provision for a provisional Legislative Assembly.

Again, there is a point about reducing the number of nominated members from three to two. Shri Shiv Ghandra Jha has mentioned it. I have already replied to the suggestion that only persons belonging to Assam and Meghalaya shall be members. This is just a suggestion that the Advisory Committee should be composed of those persons only from the State of Assam and Meghalaya. I understand his anxiety about it. Why make obvious what is already obvious? When the Committee has to be appointed for the special problems of Shillong, I do not think the Chief Ministers will be unwise enough to invite people from outside the State of Assam or Meghalaya. I can assure the hon. Member that this is the intention of the Bill, and it will be followed when it becomes law.

श्री शिव चन्द्र झा: आसाम के चीफ मिनिस्टर तो अनवाइज नहीं हो सकते हैं लेकिन सेन्टर के होम मिनिस्टर अनवाइज एडवाइज दे सकते हैं।

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: I have moved an amendment No. 16 to clause 65, regarding the rule-making power in the matter of the services.

Coming to clause 73 which provides for removal of difficulties Mr. K. L. Gupta has moved amendment No. 15 that the orders have to be approved by the Parliament. Sir, when anything is laid on the Table, it is the inherent right of Parliament to raise a discussion over it and reject it also if it thinks fit. When we say that it is to be laid on the Table, it means we have given the right to Parliament to reject it also. There is no necessity to have a special provision for approval by Parliament.

Mr. Hem Barua has tabled an amendment for abolition of district and regional councils, I do not really see the point, when we are thinking of decentralisation and giving more powers to zila parishads....

SHRI HEM BARUA (Magaldia): Zila Parishads are not the same as District Councils. They do not enjoy those powers.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: Even then, it is better that certain developmental powers are given to smaller bodies. Really speaking, by this you will be taking the development administration to the people. That is why the Constitution-makers have specially enacted the Sixth Schedule for Assam. It is not meant for all the tribal areas; it is meant only for Assam tribals. So, I do not think it would be wise to take away those powers by this Bill.

SHRI HEM BARUA: These powers can be given to the Assembly of Meghalaya.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: The State Assembly will have all those powers.

SHRI HEM BARUA: Then is there a sort of diarchy.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: He asked, why should somebody be a member of the District Council as well as the Assembly? Why should he not? In other States, people can be members of zila parishads, corporations, etc. and also be members of the Assembly.

SHRI HEM BARUA: As I said, Zila Parishads are not the same as District Councils.

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN: They may have more powers. Now that Meghalaya State comes into existence, their relationship with the district councils will be of the same kind and same quality. Their relationship does not change. This is my argument.

With these words, I would request the House to reject all the amendments moved by other members and accept my amendment.

श्री शिवचन्द्र झा : संशोधन नं० 31 अलग से रक्खा जाये।

श्री ओम प्रकाश त्यागी : मैं संशोधन नं० 18 और 19 वापस लेता हूं।

श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त : संशोधन नं० 11 और 14 को अलग से रक्खा जाये।

सभापति महोदय : हाउस ऐग्री कर गया है कि सब अमेंडमेंट एक साथ रक्खे जायेंगे।

श्री शिव चन्द्र झा : ऐसा नहीं हो सकता कि सब एक साथ रख दिये जायें।

MR. CHAIRMAN: I will now put all the amendments to clause 2.

Amendments Nos. 17, 20 to 22 *were put and negatived.*

MR. CHAIRMAN: The question is:

"That clause 2 stand apart of the Bill."

The motion was adopted.

Clause 2 *was added to the Bill.*

Clause 3.—(*Formation of Meghalaya*)

MR. CHAIRMAN: The amendments moved to this clause are Nos. 19, 23 and 24.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: I beg to move:

Page 2, lines 27 and 28,—

for "two-thirds" substitute "three-fourths". (10)

SHRI OM PRAKASH TYAGI: I beg to move :

Page 2, line 29,—

after "Meghalaya" insert—

"or remain as separate autonomous State or States like Meghalaya." (23)

Page 2, line 33,—

add at the end—

"or remain a separate autonomous District or Districts with the form or powers as Meghalaya". (24)

MR. CHAIRMAN: I will now put the amendments to the vote of the House.

Amendments Nos. 10, 23 & 24 *were put and negatived.*

MR. CHAIRMAN: The question is :

"That clause 3 stand part of the Bill".

The motion was adopted.

Clause 3 *was added to the Bill.*

Clause 4.—(*Executive power of Meghalaya*)

MR. CHAIRMAN : The amendments moved to this clause are 25 and 26.

SHRI OM PRAKASH TYAGI : I beg to move :

Page 2, line 34,—
after "Meghalaya" insert—

"or Autonomous District or Districts or both" (25)

Page 2, line 41,—

after "Meghalaya" insert—

"or Autonomous District or Districts or both". (26)

MR. CHAIRMAN : I will now put the amendments to the vote of the House.

Amendments Nos. 25 *and* 26 *were put and negatived*

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is : "That clause 4 stand part of the Bill"

The motion was adopted.

Clause 4 *was added to the Bill.*

Clause 5.—(*Extent of executive power of Meghalaya*)

MR. CHAIRMAN : The amendment moved to this clause is No. 27.

SHRI OM PRAKASH TYAGI : I beg to move :

Page 3, line 2 and wherever it occurs in the Bill,—

after "Meghalaya" *insert*—

"or Autonomous District or Districts or both". (27)

MR. CHAIRMAN : I will put the amendment to the vote of the House.

Amendment No. 27 *was put and negatived.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is :

"That clause 5 stands part of the Bill"

The motion was adopted.

Clause 5 *was added to the Bill.*

Clause 6.—(*Council of Ministers*)

MR. CHAIRMAN : The amendment moved to this clause is No. 11.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : I beg to move :

Page 3, line 19,—

after "Ministers" *insert* "not exceeding four" (11)

MR. CHAIRMAN : I will now put the amendment to the vote of the House.

Amendment No. 11 *was put and negatived.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is :

"That clause 6 stand part of the Bill"

The motion was adopted.

Clause 6 *was added to the Bill.*

Clause 7.—(*Other provisions as to Ministers*)

MR. CHAIRMAN : The amendments moved to this clause are Nos. 18 and 19.

SHRI OM PRAKASH TYAGI : I beg to move :

Page 3, line 24,—

for "appointed by the Governor" *substitute*—

"elected by the members of the Legislative Assembly". (18)

Page 3, line 25,—

omit "the Governor on the advice of" (19)

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : I have replied to them.

SHRI OM PRAKASH TYAGI : In view of the reply of the Home Minister, I want to withdraw my amendments.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Has the hon. Member the leave of the House to withdraw his amendments ?

SOME HON. MEMBERS : Yes.

Amendments Nos. 18 & 19 *were, by leave, withdrawn.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is :

"That clause 7 stand part of the Bill"

The motion was adopted.

Clause 7 *was added to the Bill.*

Clauses 8 *to* 10 *were added to the Bill.*

Clause 11.—(*Constitution of the Legislature of Meghaylaya*)

MR. CHAIRMAN : The amendment moved to this clause is No. 12.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : I beg to move:.

Page 4, line 35,—

(*i*) omit "adequately"; and

(*ii*) *for* "three" *substitute* "two."(12)

MR. CHAIRMAN : I will not put the amendment to the vote of the House.

Amendment No. 12 *was put and negatived.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is :

"That clause 11 stand part of the Bill"

The motion was adopted.

Clause 11 *was added to the Bill.*

Clause 12.—(*Delimitation of Constituencies*)

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : I beg to move :

Page 5, line 8,—

for "five" *substitute* "three" (13)

MR. CHAIRMAN : I shall put the amendment to the vote of the House.

Amendment No. 13 *was put and negatived.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is :

"That clause 12 stand part of the Bill."

The motion was adopted.

Clause 12 *was added to the Bill.*

Clauses 13 *to* 28 *were added to the Bill.*

Clause 29—(*Disqualifications for membership*).

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : I beg to move :

Page 10, line 12,—

after "State" *insert*—

"or is convicted by the court under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967". (14)

MR. CHAIRMAN : I shall now put the amendment to the vote of the House.

Amendment No. 14 *was put and negatived.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is :

"That clause 29 stand part of the Bill."

The motion was adopted.

Clause 29 *was added to the Bill.*

Clauses 30 *to* 49 *were added to the Bill.*

Clause 50—(*Power of Governor to promulgate Ordinances during recess of Legislative Assembly.*)

SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA : I beg to move :

Page 18, line 29,—

for "six weeks" *substitute* "four weeks" (29).

MR. CHAIRMAN : I shall now put the amendment to the vote of the House.

Amendment No. 29 *was put and negatived.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is :

"That clause 50 stand part of the Bill."

The motion was adopted.

Clause 50 *was added to the Bill.*

Clauses 51 *to* 61 *were added to the Bill.*

Clause 62—(*Provisions as to Provisional Legislative Assembly.*)

SHRI HEM BARUA : I beg to move :

Omit lines 29 to 35 (3).

SHRI SHIV CHANDRA JHA : I beg to move :

Page 22, line 5,—

for "three persons" *substitute*—

"two persons" (30)

MR. CHAIRMAN : I shall now put the amendments to the vote of the House together.

Amendments No. 3 & 30 *were put and negatived.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is :

"That clause 62 stand part of the Bill."

The motion was adopted.

Clause 62 *was added to the Bill.*

16·08 hrs.

[MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER *in the Chair.*]

Clause 63—(*Special committee for development of Shillong.*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : There is Amendment No. 31 by Shri Shiva Chandra Jha.

SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA : I beg to move :

Page 22, line 34,—

after "persons" *insert*—

"of those States" (31).

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The question is :

Page 22, line 34,—

after "persons" *insert*—

"of those States" (31).

The Lok Sabha divided :

AYES

Division No. 23] **[16.11 hrs.**

Bharati, Shri Maharaj Singh
Gowda, Shri M. H.
Jha, Shri Shiva Chandra
Khan, Shri Ghayoor Ali
Kushwah, Shri Yashwant Singh
Molahu Prasad, Shri
Nihal Singh, Shri

NOES

Achal Singh, Shri
Agadi, Shri S.A.
Ahirwar, Shri Nathu Ram
Anjanappa, Shri B.
Ankineedu, Shri
Arumugam, Shri R. S.
Awadesh Chandra Singh, Shri
Babunath Singh, Shri
Bajpai, Shri Shashibhushan
Bajpai, Shri Vidya Dhar
Barua, Shri Bedabrata
Barua, Shri R.
Basu, Dr. Maitreyee
Baswant, Shri
Besra, Shri S. C.
Bhagavati, Shri
Bhandare, Shri R. D.
Bhattacharyya, Shri C. K.
Bist, Shri J. B. S.
Bramhanandji, Shri
Burman, Shri Kirit Bikram Deb
Buta Singh, Shri
Chandra, Shri Anil K.
Chanda, Shrimati Jyotsna
Chandrika, Prasad, Shri
Chaturvedi, Shri R. L.
Chavan, Shri D. R.
Chavan, Shri Y. B.
Choudhary, Shri Valmiki
Choudhary, Shri J. K.
Dalbir Singh, Shri
Das, Shri N. T.
Dasappa, Shri Tulsidas
Dass, Shri C.
Deoghare, Shri N. R.
Desai, Shri Morarji
Deshmukh, Shri K. G.
Deshmukh, Shri Shivajirao S.
Devinder Singh, Shri
Dhandapani, Shri
Dipa, Shri A.
Dixit, Shri G. C.
Gajraj Singh Rao, Shri
Gandhi, Shrimati Indira
Ganga Devi, Shrimati
Gavit, Shri Tukaram
Ghosh, Shri Bimalkanti
Ghosh, Shri P. K.
Ghosh, Shri Parimal
Girja Kumari, Shrimati
Govind Das, Dr.
Gowder, Shri Nanja
Gupta, Shri Kanwar Lal
Gupta, Shri Lakhan Lal
Gupta, Shri Ram Kishan
Hajaranawis, Shri
Hem Raj, Shri
Himatsingka, Shri
Jadhav, Shri Tulshidas
Jadhav, Shri V. N.
Jaggaiah, Shri K.
Jagjiwan Ram, Shri
Jamir, Shri S. C.
Kalita, Shri Dhireswar
Kamble, Shri
Kamala Kumari, Shrimati
Kandappan, Shri S.
Karan Singh, Dr.
Kasture, Shri A. S.
Katham, Shri B. N.
Kavade, Shri B. R.
Kesri, Shri Sitaram
Kinder Lal, Shri
Kirutinan, Shri
Kothari, Shri S. S.
Kotoki, Shri Liladhar
Kripalani, Shrimati Sucheta
Kureel, Shri B. N.
Kushok Bakula, Shri
Lalit Sen, Shri
Laxmi Bai, Shrimati
Lutfal Haque, Shri
Mahadeva Prasad, Dr.
Mahadevappa, Shri Rampure
Mahajan, Shri Vikram Chand
Maharaj Singh, Shri
Mahida, Shri Narendra Singh
Majhi, Shri M.
Mandal, Dr. P.
Mandal, Shri Yamuna Prasad
Mane, Shri Shankarrao
Marandi, Shri
Mayavan, Shri
Meena, Shri Meetha Lal
Meghrajji, Shri
Mehta, Shri Asoka
Minimata, Shrimati Agam Dass Guru
Mishra, Shri G. S.
Mody, Shri Piloo
Mohamed Imam, Shri
Mohammad Ismail, Shri
Mohammad Yusuf, Shri
Mohammed Sheriff, Shri
Mohsin, Shri
Mohinder Kaur, Shrimati
Mondal, Shri Ram
Nageshwar, Shri
Naidu, Shri Chengalraya
Naik, Shri R. V.
Nayar, Dr. Sushila

Oraon, Shri Kartik
Pandey, Shri K. N.
Panigrahi, Shri Chintamani
Pant, Shri K. C.
Paokai Haokip, Shri
Parma, Shri D. R.
Partap Singh, Shri
Parthasarathy, Shri
Patel, Shri Manubhai
Patil, Shri C. A.
Patil, Shri Deorao
Patil, Shri S. D.
Patil, Shri T. A.
Patodia, Shri D. N.
Poonacha, Shri C. M.
Pradhani, Shri K.
Radhabai, Shrimati B.
Raghu Ramaiah, Shri
Raj Deo Singh, Shri
Rajaram, Shri
Rajasekharan, Shri
Raju, Shri D. B.
Raju, Dr. D. S.
Ram, Shri T.
Ram Dhan, Shri
Ram Dhani Das, Shri
Ram Subhag Singh, Dr.
Ram Swarup, Shri
Ramshekhar Prasad Singh, Shri
Ranga, Shri
Ranjit Singh, Shri
Rao, Shri K. Narayana
Rao, Shri Muthyal
Rao, Shri J. Ramapathi
Rao, Shri Thirumala
Rao, Shri V. Narasimha
Raut, Shri Bhola
Rohatgi, Shrimati Sushila
Roy, Shri Bishwanath
Roy, Shrimati Uma
Sadhu Ram, Shri
Saha, Dr. S. K.
Saigal, Shri A. S.
Sait, Shri Ebrahim Sulaiman
Saleem, Shri M. Yunus
Salve, Shri N. K. P.
Sambandhan, Shri S. K.
Saminathan, Shri
Sankata Prasad, Dr.
Savitri Shyam, Shrimati
Sayeed, Shri P. M.
Sayyad Ali, Shri
Sen, Shri Dwaipayan
Sen, Shri P. G.
Sethi, Shri P. C.
Sethuraman, Shri N.
Shah, Shri Shantilal
Shambhu Nath, Shri
Shankaranand, Shri
Sharma, Shri B. S.
Sharma, Shri Madhoram
Sharma, Shri Naval Kishore
Sharma, Shri Ram Avtar
Shashi Ranjan, Shri
Shastri, Shri Sheopujan
Sheo Narain, Shri
Sher Singh, Shri
Shiv Chandika Prasad, Shri
Shukla, Shri S. N.
Singh, Shri D. N.
Singh, Shri D. V.
Snatak, Shri Nar Deo
Solanki, Shri S. M.
Somasundaram, Shri S. D.
Sonar, Dr. A. G.
Sonavane, Shri
Sunder Lal, Shri
Sursingh, Shri
Tapuriah, Shri S. K.
Tiwary, Shri D. N.
Tiwary, Shri K. N.
Tula Ram, Shri
Tyagi, Shri O. P.
Uikey, Shri M. G.
Ulaka, Shri Ramachandra
Venkatasubbaiah, Shri P.
Venkatswamy, Shri G.
Verma, Shri Balgovind
Verma, Shri Prem Chand
Vidyarthi, Shri R. S.
Virbhadra Singh, Shri
Viswanathan, Shri G.
Vyas, Shri Ramesh Chandra
Yadab, Shri N. P.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The result* of the division is : Ayes : 7; Noes : 204.

The motion was negatived.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The question is :

"That Clause 63 stand part of the Bill."

The motion was adopted.

Clause 63 *was added to the Bill.*

Clause 64 *was added to the Bill.*

*Shri Randhir Singh also voted for NOES.

Clause 65—(*Provisions relating to services*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I shall now put amendment 16 to clause 65, moved by the Home Minister, to the vote of the house.

Amendment made :

"Page 23,—

for lines 11 and 12, *subsitute*—

"(b) on or after the appointed day, except in accordance with such rules as may be made by the Central Government after consultation with the Governments of Assam and Meghalaya." (16)

(*Shri Y. B. Chavan*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The question is :

"That Clause 65, as amended, stand part of the Bill."

The motion was adopted.

Clause 65, *as amended, was added to the Bill.*

Clauses 66 *to* 72 *were added to the Bill.*

Clause 73—(*Power to remove difficulties.*)

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : I beg to move :

Page 25, line 23,—

after "Parliament" *insert*—

"for approval" (15)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I shall now put Amendment 15 to clause 73 to the vote of the House.

Amendment No. 15 *was put and negatived.*

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The question is :

"That Clause 73 stand part of the Bill."

The motion was adopted.

Clause 73 *was added to the Bill.*

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The question is :

"That Clauses 74 to 77 stand part of the Bill."

The motion was adopted.

Clauses 74 *to* 77 *were added to the Bill.*

The First Schedule, the Second Schedule, the Third Schedule and the Fourth Schedule were added to the Bill.

Clause 1, *the Enacting Formula and the Title were added to the Bill.*

SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN : I beg to move :

"That the Bill, as amended, be passed."

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Motion moved :

"That the Bill, as amended, be passed."

DR. SUSHILA NAYAR (Jhansi) : I rise to give my support to this very welcome Bill which has come before this House. We are all aware of the aspirations of our brethren in the hill areas of Assam and how for a long time every one had been exercised to find a suitable solution to meet their aspirations and at the same time take care of some of the difficulties that came in the way. It is a good solution that has been thought out, but I do wish to say that perhaps it would have be better for the Government to think in terms of accepting full Statehood for this area as for Nagaland. We are aware of similar attempts that have been made in other parts of the country and how the Regional Committee idea was tried in Punjab and Haryana and ultimately it was found that the Regional Committees did not work and the two separate States were created. The same type of difficulty, the same type of dissatisfaction may occur in this case and ultimately the Government may have to revise its opinion and take adequate measures to give full statehood to this area. However, it is good that we have started on that road so that our brethren, the tribal people and others living in the hill areas of Assam will have the right to manage their own affairs.

As you are aware, it is a well-known fact that the developmental requirements of these out-of-the-way places, particularly, in the hills are not given adequate attention when they are part of a big State as was the case in this instance. We know how the roads, etc, in Himachal Pradesh improved very much when the Union Territory of Himachal Pradesh was created. Similarly, we are aware how the roads and other developmental schemes in the old Vindhya Pradesh were very much ahead of the rest of Madhya Pradesh and after it was merged in Madhya Pradesh, its development has slowed down. Therefore, I hope and I have the confidence that the creation of this separate State will lead to greater and more rapid development of this area.

[Dr. Sushila Nayar]

May I say, at the same time, that there are certain provisions in this Bill which, I think, are likely to create some difficulties. We are all aware that the tribal people have their own culture, their own way of life and some of the characteristics of their culture are very desirable, are so good that I wish the rest of India learn some of their ways from them. One of these things is their way of dealing with crime and dealing with justice so that justice is not far removed from the people. In the original arrangement the village councils have been given the power to try these cases and do justice and settle the disputes. Ordinarily appeals on there decisions lay to the District Councils. Now it is proposed that these appeals will lie to the regular courts. I am afraid, it is going to lead to endless litigation and deny justice to the people of these hill areas. It is provided that this transition will be gradual and after watching the situation, then only this measure will be introduced. I would like to suggest to the Home Minister through you, not to try this innovation but let the tribals continue to have their appeals to the District Councils and if there are certain very special cases where recourse to higher courts is necessary, that can always be made possible, but not to open the floodgates of litigation by saying that all appeals from the Village Panchayats will lie to the regular courts in Assam which may naturally give rise to a certain feeling of dissatisfaction amongst our tribal brethren.

Another provision in this Bill which needs attention of the Home Minister is that it is proposed to exempt the Union properties as well as the properties of the Assam Government from the taxation that may be levied by the Meghalaya Government on a reciprocal basis. Now everyone knows that the properties of the Meghalaya Government are very scanty and very few and reciprocal basis does not have any real meaning. It will deprive this newly set up Government of considerable sources of taxation if this exemption is given. Therefore, I hope the Home Minister will think even at this stage not to insist on this type of exemption.

Similarly, it is stated that the taxation on motor vehicles may be charged by Meghalaya, but that in respect of those vehicles that are registered in Assam etc. there should be no double taxation. I agree with the Home Minister that there should be no double taxation. At the same time, the fact remains that in Assam and in all these areas, there are heavy defence motor trucks and vehicles. They are very damaging to the roads, and the hill roads, in any case, need a lot of attention for maintenance.

Now the taxes will be paid in Assam and the maintenance of these roads will be the responsibility of Meghalaya, which will cause considerable difficulties for the newly formed State Government. Therefore, the Home Minister should find some way either to make a special financial provision for looking after these roads or in some other way make it possible for them to make good this loss of revenue due to the fact that most of vehicles will be registered in Assam and the Meghalaya Government will not be able to collect any taxes from them.

It has been suggested that Shillong will serve as the headquarters of both Assam and Meghalaya. I can understand it as an interim arrangement. But now that the hill areas are gong out of Assam, there is no point in keeping the capital of Assam in Shillong and letting this kind of confused situation and possibility of conflict to continue by keeping two State capitals in one and the same place. The legitimate and proper place for the capital of Assam in future would be Gauhati. Let them move over there and let Shillong be the capital of the new State, if not today, tomorrow. It takes time to make such a change. So as an interim arrangement, it is all right for both governments to stay on in Shillong. But ultimately I think they should do something about it.

May I hope that the power for issuing directions which has been provided by the State and Central Governments will be used sparingly, if not avoided altogether?

With these words, I welcome the Bill.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : We have a very heavy agenda before us still. Those would like to speak may condence their observations to one or two minutes.

SHRI SHIVAJIRAO S. DESHMUKH (Parbhani) : I rise to congratulate you on this very proud day because in the passing of this Bill I see the fulfilment of a dream

which you as a member of this House has held very high and dear to your heart. We in the Congress Party had our own part to play in this. We were conscious of this fact that since the days of Pandit Nehru, the Hill leaders and the hills people had demanded a separate State which was promised to them by Panditji on the basis of the Scottish formula. They had to cross many hurdles and obstacles and thanks to the perseverance, tact and strength of the Home Minister we could achieve this measure unanimously.

On the passing of this Bill, we wish to convey our best wishes to the people of Meghalaya, to Capt. Sangma and the Assam Hill leaders and also our colleagues here on it being possible to arrive at this solution unanimously which is acceptable to all.

With these few words, I support the Bill.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: (Kendrapara) : I am happy that this Bill is being passed almost with the unanimous support of this House. I would have been happier had this Government seen reason and get it passed by the Rajya Sabha also before it adjourned so that the Bill becomes law immediately and the people of the Hills get their State.

I also hope and trust that the Hill people of Assam, now that they have got statehood, will assert their rights and get all the privileges which this Government had not been able to fulfil so far, that is to bring the hill tribes on par with other sections of the population and be on equal terms with the other citizens of the country. I hope the aspirations of these people will be met after the constitution of the new autonomous State.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The question is :

"That the Bill, as amended, be passed."

The motion was adopted.

16.26 hrs.

COMMISSION OF INQUIRY (AMENDMENT) BILL

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : There are two other items which we have agreed to pass without discussion. We shall take them up first. Shri Shukla.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) : I move:

"That the Bill to amend the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952, be referred to a Joint Committee of the Houses consisting of 45 members, 30 from this House, namely :—

Shri N. C. Chatterjee
Shri Y. B. Chavan
H.H. Maharaja Pratap Keshari Deo
Shri C. T. Dhandapani
Shri Surendranath Dwivedy
Shri Hem Raj
Shri V. N. Jadhav
Shri Bhogendra Jha
Shri N. Sreekantan Nair
Shrimati Sucheta Kripalani
Shri D. K. Kunte
Shri Bal Raj Madhok
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena
Shri P. Ramamurti
Shri S. S. Syed
Shri Gajraj Singh Rao
Shri Bhola Ram
Shri Rabi Ray
Shri R. Dasaratha Rama Reddy
Shri Bishwanath Roy
Dr. Sisir Kumar Saha
Shri N. K. P. Salve
Shri Shantilal Shah
Shri Viren Shah
Shri Biswanarayan Shastri
Shri S. M. Siddayya
Shri Sant Bux Singh
Shri S. Supakar
Shri P. R. Thakur
Shri Vidya Charan Shukla, and

15 from Rajya Sabha;

that in order to constitute a sitting of the Joint Committee the quorum shall be one-third of the total number of members of the Joint Committee;

that the Committee shall make a report to this House by the last day of the first week of the next session;

that in other respects the Rules of Procedure of this House relating to Parliamentary Committees shall apply with such variations and modifications as the Speaker may make; and

that this House do recommend to Rajya Sabha that Rajya Sabha do join the said Joint Committee and communicate to this

[Shri Vidya Charan Shukla]

House the names of 15 members to be appointed by Rajya Sabha to the Joint Committee."

Since the House has agreed to pass this motion without any discussion, I am not making any speech on the Bill at this stage.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The question is :

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that this House do recommend to Rajya Sabha that Rajya Sabha do join the said Joint Committee and communicate to this House the names of 15 members to be appointed by Rajya Sabha to the Joint Committee."

The motion was adopted.

16.28 hrs.

MEDICAL TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY BILL

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : We shall take up the next bill. Shri K. K. Shah.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING; AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. S. CHANDRASEKHAR) : Mr. Deputy Speaker, I move....

SHRI SRINIBAS MISRA (Cuttack) : On a point of order. He cannot move this bill and he is not Mr. Shah. Rule 76 says :

> 'No motion that the Bill be taken into consideration or be passed shall be made by any member other than the member in charge of the Bill and no motion that a Bill be referred to Select Committee of the House, or a Joint Committee of the Houses....shall be made by any Member other than the Member-in-charge except by way of amendment to a motion made by the Member in charge.

So he can do this only by way of an amendment. He cannot just stand up and move this motion on behalf of Mr. Shah. There is a proviso which reads :

> 'Provided that if the member in charge of a Bill is unable for reasons which the Speaker considers adequate to move the next motion in regard to his Bill.... he may authorise another member to move that particular motion with the approval of the Speaker.'

Here it is not a question of introduction. It has been introduced in the other House.

DR. S. CHANDRASEKHAR : I was in charge of the Bill in the Rajya Sabha and this is a motion for reference to the Joint Committee. So I shall move that....

SHRI SRINIBAS MISRA : There must be a ruling on my point of order.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I would draw your attention to rule 2 :

"member in charge of the Bill" means the member who has introduced the Bill and any Minister in the case of a Government bill.

SHRI SRINIBAS MISRA : My stress was not on that. It must be by way of an amendment of the motion.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I have given my ruling. The rule says 'any Minister in the case of a Government Bill.'

DR. S. CHANDRASEKHAR : I move:

"That this House do concur in the recommendation of Rajya Sabha that the House do join in the Joint Committee of the Houses on the Bill to provide for the termination of certain pregnancies by registered medical practitioners and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto, made in the motion adopted by Rajya Sabha at its sitting held on the 8th December, 1969 and Communicated to this House on the 10th December, 1969 and do resolve that the following twenty-two members of Lok Sabha be nominated to serve on the said Joint Committee, namely :—

Shri Vidya Dhar Bajpai
Shri Gangacharan Dixit
Shri Ganesh Ghosh
Shri Kameshwar Singh
Shri S. Kandappan
Dr. Karni Singh
Shri Kinder Lal
Shri P. Viswambharan
Shri N. R. Laskar
Hazi Lutfal Haque
Shri M. R. Masani
Shri Mohammad Yusuf
Shri B. S. Murthy
Shrimati Shakuntala Nayar
Dr. Sushila Nayar
Shri Pratap Singh
Shri Ram Swarup
Dr. M. Santosham
Shrimati Tara Sapre
Shri M. R. Sharma
Shri Babunath Singh
Shri Jageshwar Yadav."

16·31 hrs.

[SHRI M. B. RANA *in the Chair*]

SHRI SRINIBAS MISRA : Sir, I rise on a point of order. This Bill is beyond the competence of this House. This House cannot go into this question nor legislate upon this subject, because it is beyond the competence of the House. Kindly look to entry 1 of List III which says :

"Criminal law, including all matters included in the Indian Penal Code at the commencement of this Constitution but excluding offences against laws with respect to any of the matters specified in List I or List II and excluding the use of naval ...."

That is, whatever is included in the Indian Penal Code minus all matters with respect to the matters specified in List I or List II.

Kindly turn to List II. Entry 6 in List II is, "Public health and sanitation; hospitals and dispensaries." Here, obviously, the Statement of Objects and Reasons says that this is not a birth control measure. They have openly said so because they do not want to bring in all that nasty measure and so they say it is not a population control measure. It is only a measure to preserve the mental health according to Dr. Chandrasekhar's theory of biological emancipation. Why don't you straightaway say that you want to legalise abortion? According to his theory of biological emancipation of families, he wants abortion to be legalised. It is a health measure according to him, and if it is so, Parliament has no power because, item 6 of List II is very clear. Therefore, why is it necessary to discuss this and why should it go to a Joint Committee?

To add to this, please look to article 23, which deals with fundamental rights. Dr. Chandrasekhar would not claim that committing abortion is a fundamental right. Article 23 reads thus :

"Traffic in human beings and *begar* and other similar forms of forced labour are prohibited.."

Sub-clause (2) says :

"Nothing in this article shall prevent the State from imposing compulsory service for public purpose..," etc.

[Shri Srinibas Misra]

Then, according to the definition in our criminal laws, the foetus, when it becomes quick, is equalised to a human being. Here, murder is sought to be committed and legalised. (*Interruption*) In another disguise, abortion is sought to be legalised by this Bill.

I want to substantiate this point from Dr. Chandrasekhar's own observations in the Statement of Objects and Reasons which say :

> "The provisions regarding the termination of pregnancy in the Indian Penal Code which were enacted about a century ago were drawn up in keeping with the then British Law on the subject. Abortion was made a crime for which the mother as well as the abortionist could be punished except where it had to be induced in order to save the life of the mother. It has been stated that this very strict law has been observed in the breach in a very large number of cases all over the country. Furthermore, most of these mothers are married women, and are under no particular necessity to conceal their pregnancy".

What is being sought is, the pregnancy of unmarried women is being sought to be concealed by this Bill. Under the powers of this Bill, they want to conceal it.

I would draw attention to entry 64 of List II. (*Interruption*). Mr. Nambiar forgets that the States which wanted to be very kind to unmarried mothers have given legitimacy to the illegitimate children. Here you want to kill people but you have not got the courage to face society by saying that the child will be treated as a legitimate child and will have all the rights in the property of the parents. In 1968, the USSR has even banned it.

Now I come to entry 64 of List II :

"Offences against laws with respect to any of the matters in this list".

Therefore, all offences regarding matters in List II are also included in List II. If this is really a health measure, because doctors are now being enabled to do it, offences against that also comes under List II. How can Parliament legislate on it? It does not come under List III or List I.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE (Betul) : Are you arguing before the Supreme Court?

SHRI SRINIBAS MISRA : I want to bring you out into the open. You want to legalise abortion. If that is so, why not say so ? If you want family planning, why not start a war and kill people?

Article 39 says :

> "The State shall, in particular, direct its policy towards securing—
>
> (e) that the health and strength of workers, men and women, and the tender age of children are not abused and that citizens are not forced by economic necessity to enter avocations unsuited to their age or strength.
>
> "(f) that childhood and youth are protected against exploitation and against moral and material abandonment."

What is being sought to be ahieved by this Bill is this. Because we are living, for the benefit of our life, because we want more food, etc., we want that other souls should not come into being and we want to kill them. So far as morality is concerned, it has been said in the articles of Dr. Chandrasekhar in the magazine in which he writes—it is a Government-publication—that it is immoral. He says it is for the purpose of health, for preventing mental injury, etc. For the reasons I have pointed out, I submit that Parliament has no competence to enact this legislation and therefore this House should not concur in the motion for referring it to a Joint Committee.

SHRI CHENGALARYA NAIDU (Chittoor) : It was agreed by the leaders in the Business Advisory Committee that this will be adopted without discussion. Now is being discussed.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE (Kanpur) : In the order paper it is put down as Medical Termination of Pregnancy Bill. They do not say abortion. I believe in family planning. I also believe there should be no illegitimate children. That is a different matter. But why don't they call a spade a spade? Why not call abortion as be abortion? Suppose I can terminate it without medical help, what will happen? (*Interruptions*).

SHRI NAMBIAR (Tiruchirappalli) : Shri Banerjee should not be given the power or authority of the House to prevent

that without medical aid. That would be illegal.

DR. S. CHANDRASEKHAR : Sir, I would like to inform the hon. Member, Shri Misra that I have taken his objection in good spirit, but it is only his view which I maintain is absolutely untenable. This House has complete competence to discuss this matter. I would have welcomed a total discussion lasting many hours, because we have all the knowledge on the subject today and we are prepared to answer every hon. Member. The hon. Member showed his profound ignorance when he said just now that it is not legal in Russia, which is not true. This hon. Member has spoken, with all due respect to him, without any basis, without any knowledge, not even about the terminology, what the title means.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDI (Kendrapara) : Knowledge is not his monopoly. Let him confine himself to the competence of the House to consider this Bill. We are not having a debate on knowledge and experience.

DR. S. CHANDRASEKHAR : I still have the right to say that the statement made by Shri Misra about the Soviet Union happens to be an absolute error. I have every right, for the sake of correct record of the proceedings of the House, to say that. Therefore, I say with some knowledge of the matter that he happens to be misleading us. I hope he will correct me if he can.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY : He can say that something mentioned by an hon. Member is not correct. But he cannot say that he has no knowledge of the subject. He has to be careful while using expressions in the House.

DR. S. CHANDRASEKHAR : I still maintain that if somebody says something which is not correct, which is misleading, I have the right to refer to it.

Secondly, for want of time, the Business Advisory Committee has decided that it should be referred to the Joint Committee without any discussion and we have agreed to this.

Thirdly, Government is of the opinion that we have competence to pass this Bill. If any hon. Member wants to raise any objection, after all, we are only referring it to the Select Committee, where it could be discussed. Also, it would becoming back, to the House when also it could be discussed. So, nothing is lost by adopting this motion. I commend it for the acceptance of the House.

MR. CHAIRMAN : The point of order is rejected.

SHRI HEM BARUA (Mangaldai) : Sir, if you want time to give your ruling, you can do it in the next session.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH (Rohtak) : He has already stated that the point of order has been rejected.

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is : "That this House do concur in the recommendation of Rajya Sabha that the House do join in the Joint Committee of the Houses on the Bill to provide for the termination of certain pregnancies by registered medical practitioners and for matters connected there with or incidental thereto, made in the motion adopted by Rajya Sabha at its sitting held on the 8th December, 1969 and communicated to this House on the 10th December, 1969 and to resolve that the following twenty-two members of Lok Sabha be nominated to serve on the said Joint Committee, namely :—

(1) Shri Vidya Dhar Bajpai
(2) Shri Gangacharan Dixit
(3) Shri Ganesh Ghosh
(4) Shri Kameshwar Singh
(5) Shri S. Kandappan
(6) Dr. Karni Singh
(7) Shri Kinder Lal
(8) Shri Viswambharan
(9) Shri N. R. Laskar
(10) Hazi Lutfal Haque
(11) Shri M. R. Masani
(12) Shri Mohammad Yusuf
(13) Shri B. S. Murthy
(14) Shrimati Shakuntala Nayar
(15) Dr. Sushila Nayar
(16) Shri Partap Singh
(17) Shri Ram Swarup
(18) Dr. M. Santosham
(19) Shrimati Tara Sapre
(20) Shri M. R. Sharma
(21) Shri Babunath Singh
(22) Shri Jageshwar Yadav."

The motion was adopted.

16·45 hrs.

RESOLUTION RE : INCOME-TAX, WEALTH-TAX, ETC. OF THE UNION FOOD MINISTER—*contd.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : The House will now take up further discussion of the Resolution moved by Shri J. M. Imam on the 28th November, 1969 regarding the income-tax, wealth-tax etc., of the Union Food Minister. When this Resolution was taken up on the 28th, Shri Imam and some other hon. Members raised points of order stating that the words "other members of Government", which had been there in the original notice, had been omitted in the Resolution as it appeared in the Order Paper. Shri Madhu Limaye was on his feet on that point when the House took up other business. He may now briefly state his case.

श्री मधु लिमये (**मुंगेर**) : सभापति महोदय, श्री इमाम ने जो संकल्प पढ़ कर सुना उसमें और जो प्रस्ताव कार्य-सूची में है उसमें फर्क है । उन्होंने जो नोटिस दिया था उसमें फर्क है । उन्होंने जो नोटिस दिया उसमें श्री जगजीवन तथा अन्य मंत्री, (ऐंड अदर मिनिस्टर्स) यह शब्द थे । उन्होंने जो नोटिस दिया था उसी के अनुसार पढ़ कर सुनाया । उस पर मंत्री महोदय ने या उस तरफ से किसी ने ऐतराज किया, मैं केवल उस मुद्दे को उठा रहा हूं । यह जो संकल्प है वह नियम 170 के अनुसार है । और नियम 173 और 174 में बतलाया गया है कि किन शर्तों पर यह संकल्प पेश किया जाएगा तथा कैसी स्थिति में स्पीकर साहब उसमें तब्दीलियां या परिवर्तन करेंगे । मैं नियम 173 को पढ़ रहा हूं । इसमें पांच शर्तें दी गई हैं । आप को निर्णय करना है कि श्री इमाम ने जो संकल्प रखा, क्या उसमें किसी शर्त का उल्लंघन है ।

(1) it shall be clearly and precisely expressed;

उन्होंने स्पष्ट शब्दों में अपने प्रस्ताव को रखा है, इस लिये उस का कोई उल्लंघन नहीं है ।

(2) it shall raise substantially one definite issue;

मंत्रियों के बारे में रिटर्न फाइल करने के बारे में या कर की चोरी यह एक ही विषय है । एक मंत्री, दो मंत्री या चार मंत्री से अनेक विषय नहीं होते । विषय एक ही है और वह यह है कि क्या मंत्रियों के द्वारा रिटर्न फाइल करने में देरी हुई या कर की चोरी हुई । एक ही डेफिनिट इश्यू बनाया गया है ।

(3) it shall not contain arguments, inferences, ironical expressions, imputations or defamatory statements;

इस तरह की कोई बात नहीं है ।

(4) it shall not refer to the conduct or character of persons except in their official or public capacity; and

यह सार्वजनिक मामले के बारे में ही है, किसी निजी मामले के बारे में नहीं है ।

(5) it shall not relate to any matter which is under adjudication by a court of law having jurisdiction in any part of India.

जहां तक मुझे मालूम है यह मामला किसी अदालत के विचाराधीन नहीं है ।

अब 174 में आपको यह अधिकार दिया गया है कि अगर आपकी राय में "it is an abuse of the right of moving a resolution or calculated to obstruct or prejudicially affect the procedure of the house or is in contravention of these rules."

जब ऐसा हो जाएगा, तभी आप प्रस्ताव को बदल सकते हैं, उसको नामंजूर कर सकते हैं । इस वास्ते मेरी प्रार्थना है कि श्री इमाम ने जिस प्रस्ताव का नोटिस दिया था उसी प्रस्ताव को रखा जाए और उसी पर सदन में बहस की जाए ।

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH (Rohtak): On a point of order, Sir.

SHRI SEZHIYAN (Kumbakonam): What about my point of order? My point of order was a different one.

SHRI SHEO NARAIN (Basti): If all sorts of points of order are to be raised like that and the Resolution is not going to be discussed, let the session be extended and the House sit tomorrow to discuss it. I move that the session be extended by a day more. (*Interruption*)

SHRI SEZHIYAN: Mr. Madhu Limaye argued that the test of the Resolution of Shri Imam had been mutilated. My point of order is a different one. Item No. 31 of today's order paper says:

> "Further discussion on the following Resolution moved by Shri J. M. Imam on the 28th November, 1969..."

Now, on 28th November, 1969, as it is recorded in the proceedings of 28th November, 1969 Mr. Imam moved the following Resolution—I Quote:

> "This House takes note of the widespread criticism in the country regarding the failure on the part of the Union Food Minister, Shri Jagjivan Ram, and other Ministers....."

This is the actual one moved by Mr. Imam. I think, the order paper is to be corrected and the Resolution should come in a proper form.

SHRI NAMBIAR (Tiruchirappalli). Which Resolution are we discussing? I find it difficult to understand, whether it is against the Union Food Minister or against many more Ministers and, it is the latter, we must have the list of the Ministers and all the details so that we may discussed the specific issues. We do not know on what we have to Speak. You may kindly enlighten us. We can not proceed unless we have all the details. Suppose a Member gets up and says about this Minister, other Ministers and Members of Parliament. We are 520 Members here. Who are the Ministers? Who are the Members? Let us have the list and all the details.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH: On a point of order, Sir.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Let me dispose of the first point of order.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH: This has nothing to do with that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is why I say, let me dispose of that first.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM (Chitradurga): Let me clarify it.

It is true that in the original Resolution, I had included the words "Other Ministers" and, last time, I moved my Resolution according to my own original draft. It was then pointed out that in the final Resolution, the words "other Ministers" had been omitted. When this question was raised, I was told by the Speaker that the words "other Ministers" would not be admissible and that is why those two words had been omitted. Since that is the ruling of the Speaker, I accept it and let us proceed with the Resolution as it is.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE (Kanpur): What have you moved?

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: It does not refer to other Ministers.

SHRI NAMBIAR: That is vitally different, if it is amended like that.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE (Betul): Sir, before you give your ruling on that, kindly permit me to read out Rule 171. It is entirely within the authority of the Speaker to modify the Resolution.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: (Delhi Sadar): Mr. Imam agrees with the ruling of the Speaker.

MR. CHAIRMAN: About the point of order raised by Shri Sezhiyan, this is the ruling given on 28-11-69 by the Chairman:

> "It is true in the original resolution which you had sent, you have included 'other Ministers'. But the Speaker has decided to cut out 'other Ministers'. Therefore, the Resolution as it appears in the Order Paper will be deemed to have been moved".

I take it you all agree to that.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Yes.

SHRI TENNETI VISWANATHAM (Visakhapatnam): In this connection, may I say, the Speaker may have a right to delete the words but how does he delete the notion in our minds?

श्री रणधीर सिंह : मेरा प्वाइंट आफ आर्डर है । मैं समझता हूं कि यह बहुत गलत प्रेसीडेंट होगा जो हम कायम करने जा रहे हैं । अगर

[श्री रणधीर सिंह]

आपने इस रेज़ोल्यूशन की इजाजत दे दी तो इसका मतलब होगा कि सुप्रीम कोर्ट और हाई कोर्ट के जितने फैसले होते हैं, उन पर भी बहस हुआ करेगी । इनकम टैक्स एक्ट के तहत जितनी प्रोसीडिंग्ज़ होती है आई०टी० ओ०के सामने या एपेलेट कोर्ट के सामने चाहे वे पैनलटी के बारे में हों या एरियर्ज़ आफ इनकम टैक्स के बारे में हों ये ज्यूडिशल प्रोसीडिंग्ज़ होती हैं । जिस केस में आई० टी० ओ० ने फैसला दे दिया वह ज्यूडिशल फैसला है । उसके बारे में रिविज़न में जाया जा सकता है या अपील में जाया जा सकता है, हाई कोर्ट और सुप्रीम कोर्ट में उसके खिलाफ रिट हो सकती है लेकिन उस फैसले के खिलाफ अगर यहां बहस होगी तो वह कटैम्प्ट आफ कोर्ट होगा ।

दूसरी बात एक और है । आप 173(3) को देखें :

> "it shall not contain arguments, inferences, ironical expressions, imputations or defamatory statements;"

डिफामेटरी स्टेटमेंट के अलावा इसमें और कुछ नहीं है ।

अब आप 173(4) को देखें :

> "it shall not refer to the conduct or character of persons except in their official or public capacity..."

Here it is not as a Minister but as a citizen of India.

ये दोनों भी हैल्पफुल हैं । इस वास्ते इस रेज़ोल्यूशन को हमें लेना नहीं चाहिये । अगर हम लेते हैं तो फंडेमेंटल राइट्स और ज्यूडिशरी के फैसले के ऊपर हम एनक्रोचमेंट करते हैं और इसका मतलब होगा कि ज्यूडिशरी का हम मज़ाक बनाने जा रहे हैं । इस वास्ते इस पर बहस नहीं होनी चाहिये ।

श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त : टैक्स की चोरी करने का भी फंडेमेंटल राइट है ।

SHRI PILOO MODY (Godhra): Does he not want Mr. Jagjiwan Ram to be exonerated?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Rule 173 indicates the conditions of admissibility of Resolution. This Resolution is already admitted. So, there is no question of dealing with it now, nor is there the question of doing anything which is *sub judice*. This is not *sub judice*. This Resolution has already been admitted. Now we proceed with the Resolution.

Mr. Imam.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: I am not going to read the Resolution once again in order to save the precious time of the House. I may state that it is not a pleasure for me to move this Resolution, but still I feel that it will be my duty to do so in the interest of the country, in the interest of purity of administration. Since this Resolution has had a chequered career, some of my friends approached me and requested me to withdraw it....

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK (South Delhi): Who are they? Name them.

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SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: I would not. I told them that I would be doing injustice to Mr. Jagjiwan Ram himself if I withdraw it. Because if I withdraw the resolution, he will be under suspicion and the matter will not be cleared. So by moving this resolution, I will be giving him a chance. This House would be giving him a chance to clear himself of the charges that have been levelled against him. If he does so, I will be very glad that when he proceeds to Bombay to adorn the presidential *'gaddi'*, he will be able to direct the ruling party and the Government. When it was announced in various newspapers, but certainly not in the All India Radio of Shri Gujral, that Shri Jagjivan Ram had consistently failed to file the return of wealth tax and income tax for over a decade, the whole country and Members of Parliament were taken by surprise.

SHRI PILOO MODY: All except the Prime Minister.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: I wonder whether such a grave error would be committed by a person of his standing. When, subsequently, it was revealed in this House

through a reply of the Finance Minister in answer to a question that many more Ministers of this House have followed his example and in the answer he has given the names of nearly 33 Ministers of the Council of the Ministers including prominent Ministers like Shri Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed (*Interruytions*), Shri Dinesh Singh, and Shri Mohamed Yunus Saleem and various others, when it was revealed that they have failed to file their return . . . (*Interruptions*)

MR CHAIRMAN: It is not fair to bring in other names.

SHRI RABI RAY (Puri) : Why not? यह तथ्य की बात है, फैक्ट की बात है । माननीय सदस्य भाषण में इसका जिक्र कर सकते हैं ।

MR CHAIRMAN: You have moved a resolution about Mr. Jagjivan Ram only. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI SHEO NARAIN: It has appeared in the papers.

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK: They remind me of Ali Baba and Forty thieves.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: The general belief was that the evasion of income-tax and concealment of income has become a chronic disease and the evasion of the income-tax law has become the general rule among them. Subsequently . . .

MR. CHAIRMAN: You had your say before as far as I remember..(*Interruption*)

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY (Kendrapara): You cannot shut out the discussion like this.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: Please don't interrupt me, Sir. (*Interruptions*)

श्री रवि राय : माननीय सदस्य यह कह सकते हैं कि किन-किन मंत्रियों ने पिछले दस वर्षों में इनकम टैक्स नहीं दिया है ।

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA (Barh): Certain replies have been given in Parliament which are statements of facts. Therefore, the hon. Member is only stating those facts. There is no question of any allegation. These things have been stated in Parliament. Certain replies have been received.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You need not defend him. Every member has a right to defend himself.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: What was the value and defence of the Prime Minister to rescue and extricate her colleague? I think she thought over the matter and the only plea she could put forward is this: that is forgetfulness. She must have exercised a lot of mental gymnasium to evolve this defence.

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: That damages the Food Minister more—the Prime Minister's reply. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: When she stated what she did at a Press conference, the whole country was aghast, taken aback. The Prime Minister made this statement in utter disregard of the consequences it would have on the administration and on the country. And what has it created? A righteous indignation throughout the country that in spite of this long evasion by all the Ministers and Shri Jagjivan Ram, though they have incurred penalty, they escaped from its payment and they have been exonerated (*Interruptions*).

SHRI RANGA (Srikakulam) : They ought to be ashamed of themselves.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: They have been absolved of all penalties and have been let Scot-free. This has created an indignation throughout the nation.

This theory of the Prime Minister, forgetfulness, would have continued still further and the Ministers concerned would have slept for a longer time like Rip Van Winkle if they had not been rudely awakened by the jolt given by the then Finance Minister, Shri Morarji Desai. At the time of the budget session, there were questions put in this House as to how many Ministers were in arrears. I have here a letter which shows that Shri Morarji Desai sent for the Chairman of the Direct Taxes Board and told him that they must proceed according to the law and must levy the penalty, and whatever may be the status of a person, whether he or she, he or she must be proceeded with according to law. I understand he has also left a note on a file to this effect.

SHRI RANGA: Or instructions.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: But what is intriguing is quite a contrary statement from the Minister of State for Finance, Shri Sethi. In answer to a question at the meeting of the Consultative Committee by my colleague and friend, the ever-vigilant Shri C. C. Desai . . .

SHRI PILOO MODY: He cannot mention about the proceedings of Consultative Committees here.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: It is not a secret.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: He denied it categorically stating that the then Finance Minister had not made such a statement, he had not given any instructions, he had not left any note. Dutifully, because he is in office, Shri Sethi, is to be believed and because Shri Morarji Desai is not in office, he should not be believed. Anyway, happily, Shri Morarji Desai is with us and will be able to clarify.

I have here a letter written by him which I would read for the information of the House—this is Shri Morarji Desai's letter written to my friend, Shri C. C. Desai.

AN HON. MEMBER: How did he get it?

SHRI RANGA : It should be laid on the Table.

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: Shri C. C. Desai passed it on to the hon. member.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: It is dated 1-11-69 from 6, Dupleix Road, New Delhi, addressed to Shri C. C. Desai. It reads:

"My dear C.C.

I have duly received your letters of the 18th and 29th regarding instructions to the official concerned of the Ministry of Finance in connection with arrears of Ministers. I am sorry I could not write to you earlier.

"I was really amazed to read the replies given to you in the meeting of the Consultative Committee. You will recall that questions were put in Parliament during the last Budget Session with regard to payment of axes by Ministers. Shri Sundar Rajan who was then Chairman of the Board of Direct Taxes collected all the relevant information and facts and the subject was discussed with him. I had asked him to proceed according to the provisions of the law since no individual however highly placed he or she may be is not above law in our country. Naturally I could not encroach upon the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Income Tax but I should certainly not ask any official to show any favour to any assessee. Ministers are expected to abide by law to the highest degree and therefore no leniency can be shown to them. I remember to have discussed this matter with Shri Sundar Rajan more then once and I definitely remember to have raised a querry on one of the files on the subject, I think, the file regarding Ministerial Wealth Tax."

श्री प० ल० बारूपाल (गंगानगर) : श्री मोरारजी देसाई और कान्ति भाई के लिये किसी ने नहीं कहा है ।

SHRI RANGA : You want to be above the rule of law. He must have some common sense and some decency, and respect the law. In this country nobody is above law.

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: On a point of order....(*Interruptions*) On the Income Tax matters relating to Mr. Morarji Desai and his son Kanti Lal Desai, questions were asked in this House and answers were given. Those answers are laying in the Library wherein complete information has been given. The hon. Member has not read them; He has not cared to read the questions or the replies to those questions and is taking the privilege of this House in making false statements and speaking lies. Actually it should be a matter of privilege. If the matter is put down it should be taken as privilege. If not, we shall bring the matter as one of privilege I repeat that what has been done in respect of Mr. Kanti Lal Desai has been asked and answers had been given in the House. There has not been one instance of evasion of tax either by Mr. Desai or his son.....(*Interruptions*) You better read the documents in the Library.

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI (Guna): Sir,—

MR. CHAIRMAN: What is it that you want to say? Is it a point of order?

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI: I cannot shout, but we are transacting a very serious business,—(*Interruption*) If you will allow me to speak, I will speak. Otherwise, I will sit down. Am I to speak at their behest or at your behest? (*Interruption*) Sir, I said that we are discussing a very delicate and serious matter and it behoves the House to conduct this business in a serious and dignified manner.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: Whatever may be the other issue, I feel—(*Interruption*)—I am not going to yield to anybody. If this letter of Shri Morarji Desai is revealing a letter, whatever it may be, it is a good deed, and a good deed falls on a naughty head. The facts are laid, and they are here. These facts have not been contradicted so far. On the other hand, they have been reinforced by the statement of Shri Sethi himself in this House in answer to the questions. The facts are, firstly, Shri Jagjivan Ram failed to file a return of both wealth-tax and the income-tax consistently from the year 1955-56 to the year 1968-69. Shri Jagjivan Ram did not file either the income-tax return under section 139 or the wealth-tax return, I think, under section 14. And yet, under section 139A, every individual who has assessable income shall file every year the income of the previous year in a prescribed form and duly verified. So, this has not been done.

Secodly the other sections could not be enforced, because there was no return filed because the accounts had to be examined and assessment had to be made. But anyhow, it is obligatory that the assessment should be made before June of next year. And if it is not made, then it will be in arrears and payment should be made within the prescribed time. If the payment is not made, within the prescribed time, then he will incur a penalty. He will incur a penalty in the first instance at nine per cent per annum or two per cent per every month thereafter. Again it is obligatory on every assessee to pay the advance tax under section 207, as it comes to almost the same thing as income-tax. Since income-tax was not paid, since there was no assessment, there was breach of the provisions of section 207, because no advance tax had been recovered during this period.

Sometimes, annuity deposits had to be made. It was obligatory and mandatory also. It was not paid during this period What is more, no penalty was deducted. Now, whom shall I hold responsible for this ? Shall I hold the Prime Minister responsible or the Income-tax Commissioner ?

AN HON. MEMBER: Shri Morarji Desai.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: There are many fundamental issues involved. First of all, was the Prime Minister justified in advocating the doctrine of forgetfulness? Are there two sets of laws, one for the Council of Ministers and the other for the general public?

MR. CHAIRMAN : He has taken more than 20 minutes. He should try to conclude now.

SHRI RANGA: There was so much of disturbance in the House also.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: What was the role played by the income-tax department in this episode? What is the effect it will have on the working of our democracy?

I will have to allude to this doctrine of forgetfulness. It is no doubt true that the Prime Minister wanted to be compassionate, charitable and generous towards her colleague. It is no doubt true that compassion, generosity and charity are noble virtues. But the Prime Minister must be just before she is generous. She must be impartial before she is charitable. She must think of the consequences and effect it will have on the administration before she is compassionate. Will she extend the same generosity towards thousands and thousands of assessees who are similarly placed? There are any number of persons against whom notices have been served. Will she show the same generosity to the cinema actor in Bombay who was recently convicted for two months for concealing a part of his income? When she has said this, it must become a part of the statute. It must become law. It should have been very prudent on her part if she had left the whole thing to the authorities concerned, without giving her opinion. But when she herself took the responsibility of exonera,

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ting him, when she did it as the chief of the administration, what can the officers of the income-tax department do? They are also human beings and they also look to their promotions, etc. I think this is the most unkindest blow the Prime Minister has administered on the administration of income-tax by this doctrine of forgetfulness.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You have taken half an hour. Please conclude now.

SHRI RANGA: There was so much of disturbance and he could not speak.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: I will finish in ten minutes.

Are there two sets of laws, one for the Council of Ministers and the other for the general public? Are the ministers above the law? Sometimes they feel they are above the law. Not only that. They feel that the party is above the country, that groups are above the parties and individuals are above the law and above the parties also.

They feel that because they have been voted to power and they have become ministers, they are the virtual rulers. Under a democracy, they are not the rulers, though they may think so. It is the will of the people which rules the country. But here they are the rulers. It must be understood by all that democracy is not a caucus for a group of people to come into power and do as they please. They want to submerge all the laws. This is their democracy and our Prime Minister wants us to admire this democracy of the extreme socialism which is practically the negation of democracy.

SHRI NAMBIAR: It is a new theory which he is propounding that socialism is a negation of democracy.

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK (South Delhi): Socialism of your brand is a negation of democracy.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: Communist-inspired socialism is a negation of democracy.

Since I have no time, I will be brief. The role of the income-tax officers, in this episode is very intriguing and mysterious. Did the income-tax officers and the Commissioner of Income-tax take any action? Did they issue any notice? Why did they keep quiet? Were they cowed down because the assessee was a Minister? This is rather very interesting. For ten years did they issue any notice? If they issued any notice, let the Minister lay copies of them on the Table. Did they take any action at all? Shri Morarji pleaded with Shri Sunder Rajan to take action. What action did he take? Did he leave any note about it? If so, let it be placed on the Table.

Again, on the application of Shri Jagjiwan Ram the Commissioner of Income-tax waived the penalty. What are the grounds or reasons given in the application and on what judicial grounds the Commissioner waived the penalty? Did he exercise his judicial discretion properly? When there is default for a number of years the income-tax officer has to impose the penalty. But what can the poor income-tax officer do when the Prime Minister herself has made the Statement of forgetfulness? After all, he has to be guided by that.

So, it is quite necessary to enquire as to what happened in the income-tax department and what was the role played by the income-tax officer and the Commissioner of Income-tax. Why did they not take action? After all, under section 139(2)(e) they can *suo motu* issue notice. Have they or have they not done it. Section 131 lays an obligation on the person himself to file a statement. Under section 132 it is for the department to issue a notice. If they have done it, let them come forward with a copy of it. The whole thing requires a probe.

Now I come to the other point, the association of Ministers with private organisations and institutions. The Finance Minister was pleased to place in my possession a statement of the number of institutions with which Shri Jagjivan Ram was connected. I was rather shocked to notice that the number is as many as 42. I was associated with an old administration, not Congress administration but another one. There was a rule or code of conduct that no Minister should associate himself or lend his name to any private firm or organisation or institution because in that case they are likely to misuse or exploit his name or position. In fact, even now there is such

a rule. But it looks as if every Minister is associated with some institution. Why do these institutions hanker after Ministers and with what objects the Ministers hanker after becoming members of these institutions?

These institutions want the name of the minister to be associated with them in order to add respectability to the institution under the cover of which they can hide their sins, misdeeds and other things, and can also exploit the Government and the public. The ministers want a wider sphere of influence so that they will be useful to them in times of an emergency or elections.

I may give one example, that of the Bharat Krishak Samaj. The Bharat Krishak Samaj was started in 1961. They framed their own constitution. Under that constitution they ran to the Minister of Food and Agriculture to be their Chairman. Shri Punjabrao Deshmukh was the Chairman till 1968. During his time a fair was arranged. I was also present here at that time. It was a grand success. They made a profit of nearly Rs. 50 lakhs but they failed to pay income-tax, the ground rent and the coverage charges. Then, the Finance Minister, Shri Morarji Desai wrote to the then Prime Minister, Shri Jawaharlal Nehru complaining against this institution that under the patronage of Shri Punjabrao Deshmukh it has been misusing his name, that they have not paid the income-tax, rent and other things which come to Rs. 30 lakhs, and he advised the Prime Minister that he must instruct all the Central ministers not to associate themselves with any private organisation. I have got a copy of that here.

SHRI RANGA: In spite of this all these ministers have continued to do so, including my hon. friend, Shri Nanda.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: I owe my gratitude to my hon. friend, Shri C. C. Desai, for this. I will read only one or two paragraphs from it. He wrote:-

> "It seems that the ministers should be discouraged from associating with-not to mention leadership of—purely non-official organisations having large financial dealings with the Government."

This was the advice he gave and it was accepted by the then Prime Minister. But since then the association of ministers has increased and no check has been put. I do not know how many other ministers are associated with how many other associations. But from my experience I am appealing to the Prime Minister that she will do well to the country if she dissociates herself from all private organisations.... (*Interruption*)

SHRI RANGA: But such high standards are above her and her ministry.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM:.....and advises all ministers not to associate with or lend their names to or become patrons or presidents of any association because they will misue their names and exploit and all their sins and misdeeds will be hidden under their cover.

Finally I would submit that I have not brought forward this Resolution out of spite. For over 40 years I have served the country in my own humble way. I have brought forward this Resolution just to serve the country and to tone up the administration. I will appeal to all Member not to misunderstand me. I have got the highest regard for Shri Jagjiwan Ram. I am sure that all will concur with me, when I submit that a Commitee of Parliament may be appointed so that all these questions may be probed into, specially now because we are exercising freedom of conscience.

SHRI RANGA: The conscience of Indiraji is weak.

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[MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: I was appealing to the Prime Minister that she should discourage her colleagues from associating themselves with private organisations.

It is also necessary to find out—I think, the Minister has promised it—as to which minister is associated with what organisation and with how many organisations, and how many organisations owe money to the Government and how many organisations have exploited and used the name of Government.

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All these things are to be probed into. Again, I appeal to the Members not to misunderstand me why I have moved this Resolution. With these words, I appeal to the House to accept the Resolution and set up a Parliamentary Committee to go into the whole thing.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Resolution moved:

> "This House takes note of widespread criticism in the country regarding the failure on the part of the Union Food Minister, Shri Jagjivan Ram, to file his Income-tax and Wealth-tax returns and also the serious financial irregularities committed by various institutions with which the Union Food Minister is associated and resolves that a Committee of Members of Parliament be appointed to investigate these allegations and make a report to the House".

Now, there are a number of amendment given notice of by some hon. Members. I would like to know from them whether they are moving them.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: Sir, there is an amendment in the name of Shri Samar Guha and myself. We do not want to move the amendment. We will support the Resolution as it is.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: I beg to move:

That in the resolution,-

for "regarding the failure on the part of the Union Food Minister, Shri Jagjivan Ram to file his income-tax and Wealth-tax returns"

substitute—

"regarding the late filing of income-tax and wealth-tax returns, concealment of income and non-payment of advance tax" (1)

SHRI M. N. REDDY (Nizamabad): I beg to move:

That in the resolution—

for

"and also the serious financial irregularities committed by various institutions with which the Union Food Minister is associated and resolves that a Committee of Members of Parliament be appointed to investigate these allegations and make a report to the House."

substitute—

"during the last ten years and serious financial irregularities including wilful evasion of taxes committed by various institutions, trusts and organisations with which the Union Food Minister is connected and resolves as follows:—

(*a*) to direct Shri Jagjivan Ram, to resign from the Council of Ministers pending the inquiry against him as envisaged hereunder;

(*b*) to refer the whole matter, to the Privileges Committee or an *ad hoc* Committee to be appointed by Hon. Speaker to hold an inquiry on the following lines and terms:-

(*i*) (*a*) to investigate any information or material which may to the notice and attention of the Inquiry Committee in this connection;

(*ii*) (*b*) to consider and report whether the conduct of the Hon. Minister was improper and inconsistent with the standards which the Parliament is entitled to expect from a member of the Council of Ministers." (2)

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: I beg to move:

That in the resolution,—

for

"that a Committee of Members of Parliament be appointed to investigate these allegations and make a report to the House"

substitute-

"that he may be asked to resign from the Ministership". (3)

SHRI ABDUL GHANI DAR (Gurgaon) I beg to move

That in the resolution,—

after "report" *insert*—

"along with the date when department brought to the notice of the Govern-

ment, when Government intervened in the matter and whether department imposed any penalty for these years separately or jointly" (8)

That in the resolution,—

add at the end—

"especially as to when the irregularities came to the notice of the Government and when the Government asked the Department to investigate the matter and what penalities were imposed in regard to them."(9)

SHRI JANESHWAR MISRA (Phulpur) : I beg to move

That in the resolution,—

add at the end—

"and the Union Food and Agriculture Minister be relieved of all public offices till the report of the Committee is published". (10)

SHRI VIDYA DHAR BAJPAI (Amethi): I beg to move

That in the resolution,—

add at the end—

"and further resolves that if the allegagations are not proved, the false propagators must be used in the Court of law."

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Shri Salve.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA (Alipore): On a point of order, Sir. I am one of those Members who had tabled amendments to this Resolution. I had tabled an amendment, a very small one, which reads as follows.....

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Kindly don't read the amendment that has not been allowed.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: Otherwise how can I argue my point of order? Under Rule 173, I am seeking your guidance on this question. I had tabled an amendment that in line 6, after the word 'associated'

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please.. dont' read the amendment.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: It will take hardly a minute. I feel this amendment has not been admitted on an erroneous interpretation of thisRule. I have a right, like any other Member, to table an amendment and to move an amendment.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Kindly listen to me. You have given notice of an amendment and that has not been accepted by the Speaker, Therefore, I will listen to you But please don't read out the amendment that has not been allowed.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: I will not take even a minute.

SHRI RANGA : How can there be a point of order on an amendment which cannot be moved.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: How can you understand my point of order without the amendment that I have tabled? The amendment which I had tabled reads as follows....(*Interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: That will not go into the record.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: It reads as follows:**

SHRI RANGA: It should not go on record. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: I have been informed by the Speaker's office that this amendment is not being admitted because, if it is admitted, it will widen the scope of the discussion.

Rule 173 which has already been quoted earlier says:

"(ii) it shall raise substantially one definite issue;"

In Mr. Imam's original Resolution, certain words had been deleted by the Speaker because they did not specify any mention; they just referred to "other Ministers" But my amendment is not like that. It specifies a particular ex-Minister and, therefore, I do not see how it attracts the provision of sub-section (ii) of rule 173.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : Your name is in the list of speakers here....(*Interruptions*).

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: Why should it not be admitted?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I cannot give you an answer on that in the House. I cannot enter into an argument with you in the House. You may kindly see the Speaker in his chamber and convince him.

**Not record

SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA (Begusarai) : The House must know the rule under which the amendment has been rejected. (*Interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The convention of the House is that, when the Speaker has given a decision or a ruling, that should be taken as final as far as the House is concerned and the Chair should not be dragged into a controversy in the House itself. I am only appealing...

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: I will try to convince him...(*Interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I am appealing to you to help me in maintaining the tradition of the House not to drag the Chair into a controversy. (*Interruptions*) Kindly co-operate. Mr. Salve.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE (Betul): Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, the Resolution now being debated in the House has a nexus with a controversy which is unprecedented both as to its magnitude and as to its character in the annals of tax administration of our country. I am unable to collect any other parallel in the preceding two and a half decades that I have been working, in, and have been associated with, the administration of taxation, where failure of an assessee to file the voluntary return of his income has evoked such keen public interest and has received such wide publicity. But, Sir, this, to a very great extent, I consider a tribute to the the conscientious vigilance of the Press and the people who want to assert themselves to ensure that people in high authority, holding a place of eminence and distinction, come up to a code of conduct which adheres to the highest standards of ideal citizenship. But as I went through the controversy in the various newspapers—some of them the most leading newspapers of the country—and heared the speeches, the dialogues in the parlour, in Parialment, in the drawing rooms of homes and hearths..(*Intrruption*) over this matter being discussed and debated by various people, I became painfully aware of the fact that the entire controversy had proceeded upon facts which were extremely nebulous and meagre. There was a lack of appreciation of the legal and the factual position of the whole matter which I am going to deal, and I thought that every one was impelled to draw inferences of lapses involving either turpitude or dereliction on the part of Shri Jagjiwan Ram on what looked to be absolute conjectures, surmises and guesses; it looked to me that these inferences had been drawn on irrelevant material and immaterial considerations. I intend, therefore, mentioning very succinctly and briefly the relevant facts of the whole case I shall also endeavour to analyse very objectively the relevant legal position so that this House and the country itself may determine objectively and calmly whether his failure to file voluntary return under what happened to be section22(1) of the Income-tax Act, 1922 which operated until the assessment year 1961-62 and further his failure to file voluntary return under section 139(1) of the Income-tax Act, 1961 constituted a default or a apse which constituted turpitude. I would not even limit this turpitude to moral turpitude.

If it involves any turpitude, the House will decide so and the country will decide so. (*Interruptions*) Therefore, it is a serious matter and as suggested by Shri Kripalani, when some person is in the dock, we must at least show the modicum of willingness to listen to what is being stated clearly and objectively in the matter. Every time if you go on tomfooling in the matter, it would not help.

My respectful submission is that so far as this House and the country are concerned, since the person involved is a person helding a place of distinction in the governmental hierarchy and the Party's hegemony.

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI: Why all these adjectives?

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: All right. I will only request: let there be in their judgment the rule of reason and objectivety and open-mindedness. Adverting to the fact....

SHRIMATI SHARDA MUKERJEE (Ratnagiri): It should be the rule of law.

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: It is a rule of conscience.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: Adverting to the fact, the ten years involved in the assessment of Babu Jagjivan Ramji, are the assessment years from 1959-60 to 1968-69. Out of these tenyears, in respect of the assessment

year 1959-60 and 1960-61, the only income he received and earned was the income from salaries on which the tax was deducted at source and duly paid away. Thereafter, in the previous year relevant to the assessment year 1961-62

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Your time is up.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: I will request you not to hustle me.

SHRI PILOO MODY: Yoy can hustle every body else and not him.

SHRI SONAVANE *rose.*

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, please, Order please. No, No. Your party has got 44 minutes. If you take all the 44 minutes, I don't mind but there are other member in your Party who would like to speak. Now I do not mind allowing Mr. Salve to speak as long as he likes and as long as he takes the time of his Party But that may be kept in mind.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: I was sumitting that in the previous year relevant to the assessment year 1961-62, for the first time some other income came in the picture. His two insurance policies matured and the fund received by Jagjivan Ramji—hereafter, with your permission, I will refer to him as the assessee—was invested by him in a public limited company. Now these monies which were deposited in the public limited companies from time to time....

SHRI D. N. PATODIA (Jalore): Which are those companies ?

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: Why take the name of the companies?

From time to time it was invested in fixed deposits and the term of the fixed deposits was sometimes one year and sometimes it was 2 years. (*Interruptions*) It was the Atlas Cycle Manufacturing Company. Then, Sir, the interest that accured after the maturity of the fixed deposits was added to the principal and it remained deposited with the company itself. Therefore, it is of the the utmost importanc. to know that the income in all these years had not been received by the assessee....(*Interruptions*)

SHRI S. S. KOTHARI: The accured income that is taxable. Don't mislead the House.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: He does not understand anything. I have never mislead the House and I never mislead even the income-tax officers. I have much more respect to the House than my hon friend. I will explain to you.

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA : I would like to have a clarification.

AN HON. MEMBER : No clarification.

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA : Whether the interest credited is not income received ? According to the Income Tax Law even the interest paid on the Zamindari bonds is income recieved, and it is taxable. I would like to have an explanation from Mr. Salve whether it is a fact or not.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: The hon. member has been a Minister in the Finance Ministry. I shall explain. If only they will listen to me, they will understand as to why this fact is of importance that no income had been received by him and there was no other income in all these years and there is no other dispute involved.

SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH (Pali): Let him answer this point. He is misleading the House.

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: I would like an answer to my question.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The hon member who is in possession of the House is free to express himself freely as long as....

SHRI S. S. KOTHARI (Mandasaur): .....he does not mislead the House.

MR. DEPUTY- SPEAKER: As long as he does not use any word that is unparliamentary or inadmissible. Hon. members on the other side will have a right to reply. So I would request them not to intervene or interrupt but allow the hon. member to put his case to the House (*Interruptions*).

SHRI S. S. KOTHARI: On a point of order. No member can say anything which is a wrong interpretation of law, which is patently wrong (*Interruptions*). We are talking about accrued income, which is taxable. The hon. member has no right to mislead the House. It is contempt of the House. Let him state facts and we will judge.

MR DEPUTY-SPEAKER: This is no point of order. It is his interpretation of the law. He may have his own interpretation.

SHRI S. S. KOTHARI: It is a falsity.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: No, no. No point of order.

SHRI SRINIBAS MISRA (Cuttack): On a point of order. You ruled that every member is free to say anything unless he uses unparliamentary words. But is any member free to make a foolish statement in the House?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: It is for you to judge.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: I shall deal with the points raised. Let me present my case and let me not be disturbed.

SHRI S. S. KOTHARI: Is it according to his conscience?

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: As I submitted, for assessment years 1959-60 and 1960-61, income was income from salary on which tax had been deducted at source and duly paid away. Therefore, I am sure no question of turpitude is involved. Likewise for assessment year 1968-69, the assessee filed his return on 21 March, 1969, a return in that very assessment year itself, in terms of sec. 139(1). I am sure there is no lapse so far as this year is concerned. That takes away three out of the 10 years and the 7 years left are 1961-62 to 1967-68 for which the returns were filed belatedly on 21 March, 1969. In these 7 years, the income was from salary and interest. So far as salary was concerned, year after year tax had been deducted in terms of sec. 192 of the I.T. Act 1961 and duly paid off. So far as interest was concerned, it aggregated Rs. 61,452 on which according to the assessment, the tax aggregated Rs. 29,413.

The interest that was paid for the delayed return aggregated to Rs. 6,103 for the seven years. Thus in the aggregate the assessee paid Rs. 35,516 for the seven years for which the rate of tax comes to 57·6 percent. After the returns were filed for these years on 21-3-69, immediately self assessment was made and the tax was duly paid and a petition along with the tax computation was filed under section 271(4)A of the Income Tax Act to the Commissioner of Income Tax seeking his intervention for dropping the penalty. In terms of section 271(4)A, penalty can only be waived if four conditions are fulfilled. The first condition is before the notice is issued for filing a return in terms of section 139(2), secondly there is full disclosure of the entire income and the full particulars are disclosed; thirdly, there is good faith and there is cooperation by the assessee and lastly arrangements are made for payment of tax. If these conditions exist, in terms of 271(4)A, the Commissioner is entitled to waive the penalty.

I am grateful to Mrs. Sinha for raising the point she raised. I shall reply to them if she and her partymen will listen to what I have to say in the matter with some patience. The question was about the option. Mr. Kothari was about interpretation of law. I hope he knows Income Tax Law. Mr. Beni Shankar Sharma and Mr. Gupta are here and they know the Income Tax Law. Mr. Kothari does not perhaps know much of Income Tax Law....*(Interruptions)* One of the two ways or methods by which income becomes taxable is either accrual or receipt. It is an absolutely inalienable right given under the law to each and every assessee including a Minister....*(Interruptions)*

श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, श्री साल्वे ने कहा है कि इनकम पर टैक्सेशन या तो एक्रुअल पर और या रिसीट पर होता है। मैं उनसे सहमत हूं। लेकिन जब मिनिस्टर साहब ने स्वयं दस साल का रिटर्न फाइल कर दिया, तो उन्होंने यह मान लिया कि वह रिसीट बेसिस पर इनकम टैक्स फाइल नहीं करना चाहते हैं, एक्रुअल बेसिस पर करना चाहते हैं। इस बात का क्या जवाब है ?

SHRI S. S. KOTHARI : On a point of order. He is misleading the House.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : Mr. Kothari should hear me. If he does not like what Mr. Salve says it is not a point of order. Let me make this clear. I do not want any more interruptions.

श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त : उन्होंने दस साल का रिटर्न क्यों फाइल किया ? माननीय सदस्य के मुताबिक उन्हें एक साल का रिटर्न फाइल करना चाहिये था ।

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : If you do not agree with what the hon. Member says it is not a point of order. Therefore I request Mr. Kothari not to raise any further points of order simply because he does not like what Mr. Salve says.

18:00 hrs:

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : I shall deal with Shri Gupta's question. I only request him to bear with me and show a little patience. I shall deal with it.

SHRI MORARJI DESAI (Surat): I would like to put a simple question on law in respect of income-tax, about accrual and receipt. When the interest is deposited into the account of the person concerned, is it not receipt? Is it not received by him?

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : With the profoundest respect for Mr. Morarji Desai—I never want to controvert him—2nd with the utmost respect and humility, I submit that in this case, it is not receipt. Receipt is either to be a deemed receipt, according to the fiction of the law—there]are fictions of law, you know—or, it has to be actual, real receipt. Here, it is not receipt. The law is like this. (*Interruption*) Why are they arguing a weak case? I am taking the entire burden on me, and discussing the entire matter. Still, they are not patient.

Now, section 5(1) of the Income-tax Act reads:

> "Subject to the provisions of this Act, the total income of any previous year of a person who is a resident in the case of income from whatever source derived which—
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> (a) is received or is deemed to be received in India in such year by or on behalf of such person; or
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> (b) accrues or arises or is deemed to accrue or arise to him in India during such a year.

So, here it is not a receipt.

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS *rose*—

AN HON. MEMBER: It is not for residents.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: Section 5(1) deals with residents. It says:

> "Subject to the provisions of this Act, the total income of any previous year of a person who is a resident in the case of income from whatever source derived..."

I do not know what has happened to them. They may go and hear experts. I can quote chapter and verse from learned authorities, but now I just quote a line from the book of Mr. Palkhiwala, from page 745 which says:

> "Under section 5, profits are chargeable when they accrue or arise upon receipt". (*Interruption*)

SHRI TULSHIDAS JADHAV (Baramati): Sir, on a point of order.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Order, order. There is no point of order.

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL (Dabhoi) : Mr. Jadhav is an income-tax expert. Let us hear him! (*Interruption*).

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: I am amazed at the ignorance of my brother professional friends, who do not know that interest is profit and income. The hon. Member says it does not deal with interest; but it deals with income. Income and profit include interest also.

That being the position, I want to make one thing clear. On the day the return was filed, that is, on 21-3-1969, the assessee not having received income, was under no obligation to surrender the salary income for taxation as such. There was no default; there was no failure on his part to file the return of income so far as the interest income is concerned, because it was still an option for him to surrender for taxation as and when he chose to receive the same. As I mentioned, not a rupee as interest income was received to till date. Only the income which accrues was received as salary income for which income-return had to be filed. But for salary, of course, he was liable to file an income-tax return and on this income though no return had been filed, tax had been deducted at source duly paid for, while on the interest income on the date of filing the return on 21-3-1969,

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it was still entirely left to the assessee's option, whether he wants to be assessed on accrual basis or on receipt basis. There was the advice by an eminent tax consultant.... (*Interruption*).

SHRI PILOO MODY: By whom?

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: By a tax consultant. He was advised that it was not incumbent on him that he should surrender his interest income for taxation on an accrual basis. It was suggested to him that he can receive Rs. 30,000 in March and Rs. 30,000 in April and even then the aggregate tax liability to be paid on these two instalments would be less than 57·7 per cent. To that, Shri Jagjiwan Ram did not agree. He said, "Never mind. Even though it is more onerous and more cumbersome, let it be on the basis of accrual." (*Interruptions*). Let them refute facts. Let them make calculations and see which would be more profitable for him. Why did he choose the more onerous and cumbersome procedure of surrendering it on the accrual basis? It was a voluntary gesture of propriety and grace.

I am sure if Mr. Morarji Desai was Finance Minister now, his approach would have been entirely different. The department knew fully well all the facts regarding the interest income of Shri Jagjiwan Ram. In terms of section 285 of the Income-tax Act, 1961, it is incumbent upon the payer of interest to intimate to the income-tax department all the particulars of payment of interest as prescribed in the law itself. Section 285 reads:

> "The person responsible for paying any interest, not being interest on securities, shall, on or before the fifteenth day of June in each year, furnish to the Income-tax Officer having jurisidiction to assess him, a return in the prescribed form and verified in the prescribed manner of the names and addresses of all persons to whom during the previous financial year he has paid interest or aggregate interest exceeding such amount, not being less than four hundred rupees, as may be prescribed in this behalf, together with the amount paid to each such person."

There is rule 116. There is also Form No. 50 prescribed, in which form the income-tax officer who assesses the payer of interest has to communicate this fact to the assessing officer of the payee. If this is not done by the payer, section 276 prescribes prosecution. (*Interruption*).

ताराजी, आप खुद इसी मुसीबत से गुज़री हैं, कम से कम आपको तो समझदारी से काम लेना चाहिये ।

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: This goondaism would not do. This kind of hooliganism and blackmail will not do. I would like to challenge you, Mr. Salve, to show to this country one instance where I have committed any default. If you do not prove it, you will forfeit your right to be a Chartered Accountant. These goondas, these *chamchas*' should accept this challenge and face an enquiry. (*Interruptions*).

श्री रणधीर सिंह (रोहतक) : गुण्डाइज्म का क्या मतलब है ? यह एक्सपंज होना चाहिये । जो खुद गुण्डे होते हैं उनको गुण्डे नज़र आते हैं । ..... (**व्यवधान**) .....

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: I challenge them. Let them prove it in the House. I would request Shri Salve to accept this challenge.

श्री रणधीर सिंह : गुंडा कहती हैं, इसका क्या मतलब हुआ ?

Sir, it should be expunged.

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: If it cannot be proved, let him forfeit his right to be a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants. Let a parliamentary committee be appointed to go into the charges against Shri Jagjivan Ram. If necessary, let Shri Shashi Bhusan and Shri Randhir Singh be members of that committee and let that committee go into the entire matter.... (*Interruptions*)

श्री रणधीर सिंह : जो खुद गुंडा होता है उसे दूसरा भी गुंडा नज़र आता है । ..... (**व्यवधान**) ..... गुंडेपन का सबूत निवारी जी के पास है । .... (**व्यवधान**) ....

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Let Shri Randhir Singh resume his seat. Let there be order in the House.

श्रीमती तारकेश्वरी सिन्हा : मैं चाहती हूं कि पार्लमेन्टरी कमेटी बने और उसमें सभी लोग आएं । . . . . (**व्यवधान**) . . . मैं शशि भूषण जी को चार्ज करती हूं कि वे सोवियट यूनियन का पैसा खाते हैं । . . . (**व्यवधान**) मैं कहती हूं कि इंक्वायरी कमेटी बने ।

SHRI N. K.P. SALVE: I must express my regret that the lady member has completely misunderstood me. What I was trying to say was this, that the lady herself has gone through an extremely undesirable process of character assassination. She knows what character assassination is, she knows what false allegations are, she knows how false cases are made up. So, I expect her to be a little more sympathetic and understanding when an innocent man is in the dock.

SHRI RANGA: Let him, therefore, not make these false and wrong charges against others.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: Coming to the accrual of income, he was not liable to file a return. Still, he invited a return on himself which resulted in an assessment which, I submit with all the emphasis at my command and in all humility, was a very onerous and very cumbersome assessment. I submit that sometimes tax lawyers are cowed down by the personality of the assessee. If I were dealing with the matter, I would have told him: do not receive a single rupee; you will receive only when the income-tax liability is not more than Rs. 5,000. He would have been entitled to do so.

There is only one more aspect to which I want to draw attention. That aspect is that the law enjoins liability on the Income-tax Officer to issue notices under certain circumstances.

We have referred to section 139(1) under which voluntary returns to be filled if one's income is liable to be taxed and if it is more than the maximum amount exempt under the taxation law. Under section 139(2) the Income-tax Officer has to call for the return of the assessee when in his opinion, the income of the assessee exceeds the maximum amount exempt from taxation. Therefore it is not a stray case of one minister or often or twenty ministers.

SHRI PILOO MODI: Entire Council of Ministers.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE No. notice was issued to the assessee and the assessee is not a stray case. I shall submit with the little knowledge that I have of the working of this department that in 80 per cent of the cases of employees, the Income-tax Department does not want to issue a notice.

AN HON. MEMBER : What a shame!

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : I really wish, the erstwhile Finance Minister, Shri Morarjibhai Desai, who held that position with great distinction, should have in his time taken those people to task on whose side lay the fault and the forgetfulness. It is a matter in which he will have to defend himself. Under section 139(2) it is the duty of the Income-Tax Officer to issue notice invariably and call for the return of the assessee so that unsuspecting employees are not caught into this net unnecessarily and are not put to the hazard of a penalty.

To summarise my submission, in respect of interest income no violation of the law was entailed on the day the return was filed in not filing the return year after year; in respect of the interest income no tax had become due and payable year after year voluntarily nor was any demand created by the Income-tax Officer ; the only income for which the return was required to be filed year after year was the salary income. I concede that in that there is default, but for salary income-tax had been deducted at source and duly paid off.

In view of these facts and the law I submit that not filing the return was at worst a minor technical inadvertence of a most trivial nature and anyone, who calls it tax evasion, either calls it so out of his ignorance of the tax law or does so with a view to aggrandise political interests with the most flagitious purposes and motives.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Shrimati Kripalani.

SHRI RANGA : Let Shri Morarji Desai speak first from that party so that we would be able to have a more useful debate.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: Let him clarify the position.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I have got two names from the Congress (Opposition), those of Shrimati Sucheta Kripalani and Shri Solanki. It is entirely for them to select as to who is going to speak from their party.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: We demand that Shri Morarji Desai should speak and clarify the position.

SHRI PILOO MODY: We must hear Shri Morarji Desai.

SHRI SHEO NARAIN: Shri Morarji Desai will speak from our side.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: All right. Shri Morarji Desai.

SHRI MORARJI DESAI (Surat): Mr Deputy-Speaker, Sir, I had no desire to speak on my own on this Resolution. It is a very unfortunate matter and I consider it a very sad commentary on our public life.

The facts are very simple and they cannot be controverted. I am not surprised at my hon. friend, Shri Salve, who is an Income-tax practitioner and an auditor putting up an able defence of a weak case. Going into the technicalities of law is all right for an Income-tax officer. Even there, it will not be allowed. Be he can plead. This is how many times the tax is often evaded and they help them to evade the tax by giving them this kind of defence. When I was in office, I had been pleading with the auditors and the Income-tax practitioners that they should not try to enable anybody to evade the tax. That is what I was telling them.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU (Diamond Harbour): Physician, heal thyself.

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: Some of my hon. friends here say, "Physician, heal thyself," I do not know what I have to heal myself about. I have paid my taxes even before a notice has been sent on to me. If they talk about my son, I must say, my son has paid the taxes fully..

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Who says?

(Interruptions)

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: If my hon. friends over there have a little patience, I would like to tell them what has happened even in that case.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: I think, you better concentrate on this case.

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: When they have raised it, I should clarify it. (*Interruptions*). This has been replied to in the House and nobody has been able to point out a single thing in which they can prove it. Let them prove it; let any penalty be levied. I will be the first person to support that. So far as I am concerned, they cannot say this at all.

How did this happen has got to be said. I have been asked questions in public many a time as to why did I not myself notice it for all these years when I had been the Finance Minister from 1958 to 1963 and afterwards from 1967 to July 1969? It is not possible for a Minister or even for the Board to know all those cases where returns have not been given because we do not get them. We do not go on asking everybody for returns.

What happened was that this Question was put in the Rajya Sabha by an hon. Member as to how many Ministers have not paid the taxes or have not sent in their income tax returns. This happened somewhere in March. I do not exactly remember the date. When I got that Question, I asked the Chairman of the Board who was Mr. Sundera Rajan at that time to find out which Ministers were concerned in this and for how many years—the hon. Member had asked for a certain number of years—and then I got a long list of several Ministers being defaulters in this matter.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Who are the other Ministers? (*Interruptions*).

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: But in the case of several Ministers, it was only not filling in of forms, some Deputy Ministers and others who had not any extra income and their income-tax on their salaries had been paid every month. Therefore, I did not consider that as a grave breach; I considered it as a technical breach. All the same, I asked the Chairman to inform all the Ministers concerned to see that

they took up the matter themselves and filled in the forms. I told shri Jagjivan Ram myself because his was the extreme case of 10 years, from 1954-55 to 1966-67, up to which period it was asked. I told him that it was very strange that this had happened. I do not know how that happened. He also felt how it had happened; he could not say how it had happened, but it had happened. And his first reaction was that he might have to resign. That is what he told. It was not for me to tell him what he should do or should not do; it was for the Prime Minister to tell him what he had to do..(*Interruption*) All the forms were then filled in and I gave these replies in the Rajya babha. I had also, I think, given replies to this House also. Then some hon. members sent me letters asking me whether there will be a different treatment of these defaults or whether they will be treated as ordinary assessees and penalties will be levied. I told them on the floor of this House that penalties would be levied on them as they were levied on everybody else. I had then a discussion with Shri Sundararajan about it. The Minister does not interfere in individual cases, does not give orders in individual cases; under the law also it is not done but general instructions are given. And in this matter I said that Ministers should be treated even more rigorously than the other people as otherwise it would be a wrong example set. I had discussions with him. But then one file of wealth tax came to me and, curiously enough, on that file the officer concerned had said that no penalty was necessary because only for four years it was not filled in, that no penalty can be levied because it is a voluntary disclosure. On that I put a note that this could not be called a voluntary disclosure because it was only on a question put and after he was informed that this had been done, that this was not a voluntary disclosure and that I was quite sure that if it had not been detected, it would have gone on for some more years as it had gone on in the case of several people; and we do not know; we call them tax-evaders.. (*Interruptions*) I know the feelings of the House of those who shout on this side, of what they had been talking of tax-evaders; they have become very friendly now.... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI J. M. BISWAS (Bankaura): You are yourself a tax-evader.

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: We have no foreign money.

SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH: What about the money that you received from trade unions? Did you pay tax on that ? (*Interruptions*)

SHRI B. SHANKARANAND (Chikodi): I want to know whether he had the impression that Shri Jagjiwan Ram wanted to evade the tax.

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: The question is whether Shri Jagjiwan Ram wanted to evade the tax. If for nine or ten years the forms are not filled in, what else can be said? (*Interruptions*) There was taxable income.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: Was Mr. Morarji Desai aware of the fact that in terms of section 285 of the Income-tax Act intimation had been given by the payer of interest?

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: I will give him the interpretation that I have used for myself. This is what is expected of Ministers.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Morarji Desai, you have 12 minutes. You have taken 10 minutes. I would like to take the sense of the House.....(*Interruptions*) You don't allow me to put anything to the House.

DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH (Buxar): The time may be extended.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Allow me to finish that I want to say. I want to take the sense of the House. I am entirely in the hands of the House. We are to conclude....(*Interruptions*) It is impossible even for the Chair to say anything. We are to conclude according to schedule at 7 O'clock. If the House wants to sit beyond that....

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS: No, No.

SHRI RABI RAY: We are prepared to sit till 9 p.m.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: May I humbly submit that when we discussed this in the meeting of the Business Advisory Committee and the Leaders of the Parties, a firm promise was given that at least this resolution will be passed to-day.

[Shri Surendranath Dwivedy]

We will dispose of this resolution to-day. As long as it is necessary to dispose it of, we may sit.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: My point is this. The Business Advisory Committee had recommended that it must be disposed of to-day. At the same time, it restricts the time. My duty is to see that the House sticks to the time.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH: Not beyond 7 p.m.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Mr. Salve has taken 37 minutes out of 44 minutes. If we are to conclude at 7 p.m., then I have to stick to the time. I want to say this. If the House wants to extend the time a little, then I am prepared....*(Interruptions)*.

SHRI RABI RAY: Please extend the time.

DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH: The time may be extended.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: May I again submit to you before you put the motion to the House that it is always the right of the Chair by seeing the pressure of the business to extend the time by one hour. The Chair has always the right to extend time by one hour. *(Interruptions)*.

SHRI PILOO MODY: Question of time has never been decided by any vote.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: It is the right of the Chair and the Chair will not exercise its discretion in this matter. My point in intervening 2 minutes before Mr. Morarji Desai finishes his speech is: if you agree then I may give him a little more time. That was my sole intention. A motion has been formally proposed by Dr. Ram Subhag Singh.

SHRI PILOO MODY: It is no motion, it is a request.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: It is a request that the time may be extended.

SHRI RABI RAY: It is a request to you. *(Interruptions)*

SHRI BALRAJ MADHOK: To-day is the last day of our session. In such matters, every time the time is always extended.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Prime Minister wants to say something.

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : I only want to say that if you want to increase the time by half an hour or so, we have no objection.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: A request has been made by Dr. Ram Subhag Singh for extension and the Prime Minister has agreed for half an hour extension. Do you agree ? So we close at 7-30.

MR. MORARJI DESAI: I will give you 3 or 4 minutes more.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: If you close at 7-30 p.m., what will happen to the other motions ?

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: The argument that income received and added on to the capital cannot be considered income is, in my view, a very strange logic. That is an income which is received by him. My salary in the Lok Sabha is credited to the bank account straight by the Lok Sabha Secretariat, and I do not receive it myself. Therefore, does it mean that I have not received it? When interest has accrued and it is deposited in the account of the assessee concerned, it does become an income. Moreover, he has paid tax for ten years--afterwards. The tax was deducted from the salary and was paid every month; according to the rules that has been done. But the extra income is there. It was not taken into account when he has paid the tax for these ten years; if that had been added on, then income-tax would have had to be paid at a higher rate. That also is a matter that shows that there is evasion. Whether it is intentional or not is not a factor which can be taken into account.

AN. HON. MEMBER: Only God and Ram know.

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: If it is one year, one can consider it like that. We have taken strong action against other people and we have levied heavy penalties on other people.

It is not true that no notice was given. I enquired from the Chairman why was notice not given to these people. Then the Chairman enquired and told me that the notice was given in one year but no

notice was taken of it. Therefore, afterwards they did not send any notice (*Interruptions*). I told him this is also wrong.

One thing is certainly true, that there is laxity in the department in this matter, and this is not confined only to the cases of Ministers. There are other people to whom notices are not sent. Sometimes they are sent to others. But what is evasion ? What is concealment? After all, if the income is not shown to the income tax department, is it not concealment? If you argue about the technicality of law, about the form and notice, it is a different matter. But specially in the case of a Minister, if my hon. friend pleads that he was ignorant of the law, I have nothing to say. The Finance Bill is passed here. It is discussed and new provisions also are added. They are before all the Ministers. How can they say that do not know? This rule about Rs. 400 tax to be paid directly was introduced only two years ago, not before that. It did not apply earlier.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: It applie dearlier. It is a question of fact.

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: Not in all cases.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : He is referring to sec. 194(A) which applies to assessment year 1968-69.....

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: Income tax is deducted in several cases. When there is evasion, there is a liability of filling in the income tax form. That he must admit. He cannot say no to it.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: That is all right.

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: Under 139, notice was also given in one year, not that it was not issued. I think it was in 1959-60— I do not remember now; because I had asked the Chairman and he had told me—he found out and told me—that it was issued for one year, and somehow no notice was taken and the officers did not do it after that.

The Commissioner was given authority in 1965 to waive penalty in any case which he thinks right and proper. This is a monstrous power given to the Commissioner which he has exercised. I am quite sure if it goes to the Supreme Court, it will be struck down. It did not come to my notice earlier. Several things were amended this year in the Finance Bill. Some of the things like that where notice also had to be issued, I think that is also taken away and people have to do it; if they do not, then penalty will be there and prosecution also will be there. But the House has demanded many times prosecution of tax evaders. Here I am not saying that. Here I am only saying that Ministers must conform to the law, and if they do not do so, so, they must resign. It is for the Prime Minister to see that they do it. If the Prime Minister does not do it, then she is equally capable in this matter.

SHRI PILOO MODY: After listening to this, I am convinced that the tax laws are passed here just because the Ministers do not feel compelled to pay them....(*Interruptions*)

SHRI BISWANATH ROY (Deoria): What steps did he take ?

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: I had advised the Prime Minister.

श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त (दिल्ली सदर) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, आज के इस विषय में न तो पार्टी का कोई सवाल है और न ही किसी विशेष आदमी का । वास्तव में सवाल कुछ बड़े सिद्धान्तों का है । एक सिद्धान्त तो यह है कि अगर कोई मिनिस्टर, जिसको हर साल और समय पर अपना इनकम टैक्स देना चाहिये, एडवांस टैक्स देना चाहिये, समय पर इनकम टैक्स न दे, ऐसा करना भूल जाए, तो क्या वह जब मन में आ जाए, दस-बीस साल के बाद, इनकम टैक्स दे सकता है । दूसरा सवाल नैतिक, मारल है । क्या मिनिस्टर को हर साल अपना इनकम टैक्स देना चाहिये या नहीं, और अगर वह नहीं देता है, तो क्या इतना ही काफी है कि उस पर पिनैल्टी लगाई जाए या उसके खिलाफ कानूनी कार्यवाही की जाए, या उससे कुछ ज्यादा होना चाहिये ।

श्री साल्वे बड़े एक्सपर्ट हैं; वह मुझ से बहुत ज्यादा जानते हैं । उन्होंने कहा कि इनकम टैक्स दो बेसिस पर लगता है : एक्चुअल

[श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त]

बेसिस पर और मरकन्टाइल, रिसीट बेसिस पर। मैं मानता हूं कि यह ठीक है। लेकिन क्या यह सही नहीं है कि ऐसेसी को आप्शन है कि वह एक्चुअल बेसिस के लिए आप्ट करे या रिसीट बेसिस के लिये ? क्या यह ठीक नहीं है कि श्री जगजीवन राम ने दस साल के नक्शे दाखिल कर दिये, जिसमें यह लिखा कि इस साल में मेरी इतनी इनकम है ? इसका मतलब साफ़ है कि उन्होंने एक्चुअल बेसिस पर अपनी इनकम ली है, रिसीट बेसिस पर नहीं। मैं श्री माल्वे को चैलेंज करता हूं कि वह श्री जगजीवन राम के इनकम टैक्स के रिटर्न को देख लें उस में लिखा होगा कि 1-4-59 से 31-3-60 तक मेरी इतनी इनकम है; हर साल के बारे में अलग-अलग लिखा होगा। श्री माल्वे किसी एक्सपर्ट को भेज कर पता लगा लें। अगर मेरी बात गलत होगी, तो हाऊस जो सजा मुझे देगा, वह मैं लेने के लिये तैयार हूं, वर्ना वह माफी मांग लें। वह ला को टिवस्ट करके लोगों में भ्रान्ति पैदा कर रहे हैं। यह साफ है कि जब श्री जगजीवन राम ने दस साल का नक्शा दाखिल किया, तो उन्होंने यह मान लिया कि मेरी हर साल में इतनी इनकम है, और उसके बाद उनका आप्शन खत्म हो गया।

माननीय सदस्य ने सेक्शन 285 की बात कही है। उसके मुताबिक एक रिटर्न दाखिल करना पड़ता है, जिसमें उस आदमी का नाम और पता देना पड़ता है, जिसको 400 रुपये से ज्यादा ब्याज दिया गया है। उसका यह मतलब नहीं है कि अगर मैंने एक हजार रुपये इन्ट्रेस्ट लिया, तो मुझे अपना इनकम टैक्स रिटर्न दाखिल नहीं करना है। माननीय सदस्य का इन्टरप्रेटेशन गलत है। यह ला के फर्वेग्रेन्ट वायलेशन का एक क्लीयर केस है। कानून के बारे में डिफरेंस आफ ओपीनियन हो सकता है, लेकिन मैं आप के जरिये से श्री माल्वे को पब्लिकली चैलेंज करता हूं कि उनका इन्टरप्रेटेशन गलत है।

जहां तक इस मामले के लिंक पहलू का ताल्लुक है, पब्लिक लाइफ में मारल एक्सपेक्ट का ज्यादा महत्व होता है। मिनिस्टर्ज को एक ऊंचा आइडियल और एक अच्छा एग्जाम्पल पेश करना चाहिये। जब कोई रेलवे एक्सिडेंट होता है, तो रेलवे मिनिस्टर क्यों रिजाइन करता है ? आखिर उसने तो वह एक्सिडेंट नहीं कराया। लेकिन मिनिस्टर से यह आशा की जाती है कि वह एक अच्छा स्टैंडर्ड कायम करे। मुझे दुख के साथ कहना पड़ता है कि श्री जगजीवन राम ने एक अच्छा स्टैंडर्ड कायम नहीं किया।

अब तक तीन तरह की कांग्रेस हुई हैं : एक महात्मा गांधी की कांग्रेस, दूसरी पंडित जवाहर लाल नेहरू की कांग्रेस और अब श्रीमती इंदिरा गांधी की कांग्रेस। महात्मा गांधी की कांग्रेस ने "क्विट इंडिया" मूवमेंट चलाई और "नो टैक्स" कैम्पेन शुरू किया। यह अंग्रेजों के जमाने की बात है। उसके बाद पंडित जवाहर लाल नेहरू ने एक वकील की हैसियत से रेड फोर्ट में आई० एन० ए० का केस लड़ा और लोगों ने उसकी तारीफ की। अब श्रीमती इंदिरा गांधी ने "किक इंडिया" मूवमेंट शुरू कर दी है। चाहे रवात कांफ्रेंस हो और चाहे बर्मा या सीलोन से हिन्दुस्तानियों के निष्कासन का मामला हो, उन्होंने "किक इंडिया" मूवमेंट चलाई है। (**व्यवधान**)। श्री जगजीवन राम ने "नो टैक्स" कैम्पेयन की जगह "नो इनकम टैक्स" कैम्पेयन शुरू किया है। जैसे पंडित जवाहर लाल नेहरू ने आई० एन० ए० को डिफेंस किया, उसी तरह श्रीमती इन्दिरा गांधी ने टैक्स ईवेड करने वाले श्री जगजीवन राम को डिफेंड किया है और कहा है कि यह फरगेटफुलनेस की वजह से हुआ है।

श्री माल्वे की पत्नी को तो श्रीमती इन्दिरा गांधी भी नहीं मानती हैं; वह भी कहती हैं कि श्री जगजीवन राम दस साल तक इनकम टैक्स रिटर्न फाइल करना भूल गए। मैंने पिछले दस साल के सैकड़ों केस देखे हैं कि क्या किसी

व्यक्ति ने इस बारे में फारगेटफुलनेस का प्ली लिया है और हाई कोर्ट या सुप्रीम कोर्ट ने उसके बारे में क्या रूलिंग दिया है। मैं बताना चाहता हूं कि आज तक इतना एबसर्ड प्ली किसी हाई कोर्ट या सुप्रीम कोर्ट में नहीं लिया गया है, जो कि प्रधान मंत्री ने लिया है। इसलिये प्रधान मंत्री ने श्री जगजीवन राम का केस अच्छा बनाने के बजाए बिगाड़ दिया है।

श्री राम सेवक यादव (बाराबंकी) : यही तो उनका उद्देश्य था।

श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त : श्री महावीर त्यागी की अध्यक्षता में 1958-59 में एक डायरेक्ट टक्सिज एडमिनिस्ट्रेशन एनक्वायरी कमेटी बनाई गई थी; उसकी रिपोर्ट के पेज 187 में यह रिकमेंडेशन की गई है :

> "No, official patronage or recognition or awards should be given to persons who have been penalised for concealment or in whose case prosecution proceedings have been taken. Such a person should not be allowed to become a member of a Committee or Commission appointed by the Government.
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> We were impressed in this connection by the evidence given by a retired Commissioner of Income-tax that even under the British regime, the Commissioner of Income-tax used to be consulted before awarding titles, etc., and that in case the conferment of Knighthood on a person was withheld because at the last minute it was found that the person concerned was a taxevader."

इसलिये मैं मांग करता हूं कि प्रधान मंत्री श्री जगजीवन राम से प्रार्थना करें कि वह इस्तीफा दें और अगर वह इस्तीफा नहीं देते हैं तो वह उनको डिसमिस कर दें। इस केस में बिलकुल फेवर हुआ है। यह नेपाटिज्म और फेवरटिज्म का क्लीयर केस है।

श्री जगजीवन राम ने दस साल तक नक्शा दाखिल नहीं किया और अपनी इनकम का कनसीलमेंट किया। क्या प्रधान मंत्री इस तरह के कम्पेयरेबल केसिज के बारे में एनक्वायरी कराइंगी कि क्या उन केसिज में कमिश्नर साहब ने पिनेल्टी लगाई है या उसको वेव किया है ? मैं पिछले पांच साल के ऐसे एक नहीं, हजारों केस बता सकता हूं, जो कि कम्पेयरेबल केसिज हैं, जिनमें हजारों-लाखों रुपये पिनेल्टी लगाई गई है। अगर उन केसिज में पिनेल्टी लगाई गई है, तो श्री जगजीवन राम पर क्यों नहीं लगाई गयी है ?

जैसा कि मैंने कहा है, यह एक फेवरटिज्म का केस है और इस में कमिश्नर साहब ने अपने डिसक्रीशन को जुडिशअली इस्तेमाल नहीं किया है। क्या वह इस तरह के केसिज में इसी तरह अपने डिसक्रीशन को इस्तेमाल करेंगे ? अगर ऐसा किया गया, तो फिर सरकार कैसे चल पाएगी ? **(व्यवधान)**

क्या मंत्री महोदय बताएंगे कि श्री जगजीवन राम पर एडवांस टैक्स की पिनेल्टी क्यों नहीं लगाई गई ? सेक्शन 212 के मातहत सरकार को एडवांस टैक्स का नोटिस देना चाहिये था और अगर ऐसा नहीं किया गया, तो यह सरकार और डिपार्टमेंट की गलती है। कमिश्नर को एडवांस टैक्स की पिनैल्टी को वेव करने का अधिकार नहीं है। श्री जगजीवन राम पर एडवांस टैक्स की पिनैल्टी लगनी चाहिये।

अगर इनके ऊपर ठीक केस चलाया जाए, अगर इनकी इम्पार्शल इन्क्वायरी हो--मैं मांग करता हूं कि इनकी इम्पार्शल इन्क्वायरी होनी चाहिये--तो 3 लाख रुपये इनके ऊपर इनकम टैक्स पैनल्टी लगेगी और ढाई लाख रुपये इनके ऊपर वेल्थ टैक्स पैनल्टी लगेगी।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: We have extended the time by half an hour to give chance to some more members. From the Government side, the Minister of State, Shri Jagjiwan Ram and the Prime Minister want to speak.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: You said in the beginning that their party

[Shri Surendernath Dwivedy]

has got 44 minutes. 37 minutes have gone out of it. Am I to understand that all the three of them will take only 7 minutes?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: We have extended it by half an hour. Therefore, a few minutes are being added. Shri Kawarlal Gupta was entitled only to 6 minutes. He has taken 12 minutes.

*SHRI M. KAMALANATHAN (Krishnagiri): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I take this opportunity to express the views of Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam on the Resolution of Shri J. M. Imam which is under discussion now.

In reply to a question on this issue asked by the Hon. Member, Shri K. L. Gupta of Jana Sangh on 24th March, 1969, a written statement from the Government had laid on the Table of this House and I would give some relevant figures from this statement. Shri Imam, who moved this Resolution, indicated that 33 Ministers were involved in this misconduct. But I find that this statement contains the names of 73 Ministers. In the list of persons who failed to file the Incometax Returns there are names of 25 Ministers—8 Ministers in Office and 17 former Ministers. In the list giving the names of persons who filed the Incometax Returns *late*, we find 18 Ministers in Office and 15 former Ministers, making a total of 33. In all, 73 Ministers have either failed to file the Incometax Returns in time or filed them late.

I would like to mention the names of some important Ministers who did not file the Returns—Shri Mohammad Yunus Saleem, Shrimati Jahanara Jaipal Singh, Shri Bhanu Prakash Singh, Shri Mohammad Shafi Qureshi.....(Shame, Shame). From amongst the group that shouts "shame, shame", Shri Asoka Mehta, Shri S. D. Misra, Shri T. N. Singh, and Shri D. S. Raju, the former Ministers, find a place in the roll I referred to just now. Some prominent Ministers like Shri Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, Shri B. R. Bhagat and Shri Gujral are amongst those who filed their returns late. On this side to my right, Dr. Ram Subhag Singh Shri S. K. Patil, Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy, the former Ministers, are in the distinguish company of their erstwhile colleagues in this matter.

We were all worried about the future of the country and the stability of Central Government when there was split in the oldest political party of the country. Mutual mud-slinging by the two factions of Congress party, calling each other "thieves", has compelled the masses of this nation to raise a pertinent question as to whether all of them are not "thieves". Shri Morarji Desai was in charge of Finance portfolio for a decade or so and he was hiding these details in the archives of Government. I condemn his failure to reveal the misconduct of his colleagues who are now on the treasury benches. Similarly, the former Tamil Nadu Congress President, Shri C. Subramaniam was eased out of office, he asked Shri Kamraj to account for the sum of Rs. 20 lakhs collected for the ostensible purpose of Elections. I condemn with equal force his belated sense of public morals. It is not only Shri Jagjivan Ram who has committed this lapse, but there are 72 other Ministers too in this category, including the former Ministers. I condemn not only their serious lapses but also the lapse of Shri Morarji Desai who failed to make them public. I am sorry to say that no action has been taken against those Incometax Officers who are now enjoying the fun from the Official Gallery for their failure in discharging their duties properly. I strongly condemn this kind of laxity in administration.

The people of this country have now got a clear idea of their leaders in power and how the administration is being run. There is one set of rules for the ruled and quite a different one for the rulers. In the case of Shri Kishore Kumar the popular Cinema Star of Bombay, the lower Court sentenced him to two months' simple imprisonment for his failure to pay incometax to the tune of Rs. 1.60 lakhs. As if that was not enough, the authorities have gone in appeal to a higher court. The granite-hard heart of the officials in the case of a common man melts like butter in the case of Ministers. What are iron shackles for a common man became bracelets of gold for the Ministers. The iron grip of the authorities gets tightened in the case

*The original speech was delivered in Tamil.

of a common man, but it becomes soft when the Ministers are involved. I begin to doubt whether the hon. Ministers are reminded of the days when they were in the forefront of No-tax campaign to drive out the Britishers from our country. Probably they feel that they can go scot-free if they initiate the no-tax campaign in free India also.

None can deny that Shri Jagjivan Ram is respected greatly by the people of Tamil Nadu. He is going to be the President of the Congress which is proclaiming to usher in an area of radical socialism in the country as early as possible. The Prime Minister, while defending her senior-most colleague, offered the plea of forgetfulness for his lapse. I hope that the socialistic policies which have been promised by the new Congress for the good of the people, will not become a victim of this forgetfulness and they will be implemented in right earnest. I conclude my speech with these few words.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: The hon. Minister.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: The Minister concerned must also be given a chance to explain his stand. So, the time may be extended, if necessary.

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS: No, no.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I am told that from the government side Shri Sethi, Shri Jagjivan Ram and the Prime Minister would like to speak. I do not like to call them at the end in a row.

श्री मधु लिमये : आपका निर्णय ठीक है, लेकिन मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि सरकार की ओर से डिबेट का जवाब कौन देंगे ।

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श्री मधु लिमये : तो वह अन्त में बोलें । आप और जगजीवन रामजी पहले बोलें और अगर सेठी साहब जवाब दे रहे हैं तो वे अन्त में बोलें ।

SHRI SONAVANE (Pandharpur) : The right of reply is with the mover..... (*interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: That is right. The right of reply is with the Mover of the Resolution.

श्री मधु लिमये : मैंने यह नहीं पुछा है । मैंने पूछा है कि सरकार की तरफ से विवाद का जवाब कौन देंगे । जो सरकार की तरफ से जवाब दे, वह अन्त में बोले, बाकी लोग पहले इन्टरवीन कर सकते हैं ।

19 hrs.

श्री रवि राय : कोई फैसला नहीं हुआ क्या ?

SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL (Chandigarh): Sir, in all such debates it is always one responsible man who replies to the debate from the Government side. It has to be decided among themselves as to who will speak and play that role. He should be the last speaker from the Government side.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : It is for the Government to decide as to how to conduct their business. Shri Sethi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P. C. SETHI): Sir, as far as the Resolution before the House is concerned, I would like to put the record straight by stating the position as it is in the case of Shri Jagjiwan Ramji and would also try to meet some of the points which have been raised during the course of the debate.

As far as Shri Jagjiwan Ramji's case is concerned, I emphatically deny at the very outset that any notice under section 139(2) was given.

SHRI RABI RAY: You are responsible for that.

SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL: Have you verified it?

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK: Are you prepared to call Shri Sundara Rajan here to testify.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: Shri Morarji Desai knows it that that is not the procedure.

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: Shri Sundara Rajan told me this.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: That is between him and Shri Sundara Rajan.

SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL: Either he has not verified it or he is misleading the House.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: It was only for the years 1961-62, 1962-63 and 1963-64 that notice under section 148 was issued on 26th April, 1969 and that, the hon. former Deputy Prime Minister knows, was in order to regularise the whole course, because section 148 is for regularising.

SHRI RANGA: To cover up your sins.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: For the years 1964-65 to 1968-69, as far as returns for these years under Section 139(4) are concerned Shri Jagjiwan Ramji as an assessee was entitled to file these returns and that he has done.

The total tax liability that has accrued on him for all these years was Rs. 75,590 out of which the tax deducted at source was Rs. 38,616 and the remaining amount comes to Rs. 36,974, which he has paid.

SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL: Very small amount!

SHRI P. C. SETHI: A sum of Rs. 6,345 has been paid by the assessee as interest, which should be levied according to rules, on 14th May, 1969.

As far as proceedings under the Income-tax Act are concerned, proceedings under section 136 of the Income-tax Act are like this:—

"Any proceeding under this Act before an Income-tax authority shall be deemed to be a judicial a proceeding within the meaning of sections 193 and 228 and for the purpose of section 196 of the Indian Penal Code."

SHRI RANGA: But the Government can always appeal against this.

AN HON. MEMBER: It is not *sub judice*.

SHRI RANGA: I am told that the Government can go in appeal and has done so in so many cases against the decision of the highest tribunal. Are you giong to appeal now?

SHRI P. C. SETHI: If you hear me fully, your question will not arise.

SHRI RANGA: I was taunted and given to think that there was no appeal at all. An appeal lies and Government has gone in appeal in so many cases.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: Under section 271 4A it is the authority of the Income-tax Commissioner as the judicial authority to decide the case.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: This authority is unconditional?

SHRI P. C. SETHI: Shri Salve has enumerated those conditions.

As far as section 271 4B is concerned I would like to say for the information of Acharyaji that an order passed under section 271 4A, according to section 271 4B shall be final and shall not be called in question before any court of law or any other authority. Therefore, what ever decision has been given in this particular case by the judicial authority concerned, that is final according to that.

Then, it was also said here by Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta and by Shri Morarji Desai that penalty has to be levied in this case according to what has been levied in other cases. First of all, as far as the particular question of any mention of the file and details about that are concerned, I would only like to say that as far as this particular case is concerned, Shri Morarji Desai had, certainly, raised a query in the Wealth-tax file. But after that, this matter was discussed by him with Mr. Sundera Rajan and he said that a Minister should not be made an exception and that it should be proceeded with according to law. I would like to say that on 12th March, 1968, there was an Informal Consultative Committee meeting and in that, in the presence of Shri Morarji Desai....

श्री रवि राय : कन्सल्टेटिव कमेटी है, इन्फार्मल कमेटी नहीं है ।

SHRI P. C. SETHI: I am referring to a period when it was known as an Informal Consultative Committee. It was explained by the former Finance Minister that there was nothing wrong in instructions being issued by the Board or the C. I. T. on the principles to be borne in mind by the officers though no instructions should be given which have the effect of interfering with the discretion of the income-tax officers in individual cases. These are his own words. Therefore, no instructions could have been given by the highest authority in the Government or by anybody else to decide a parti-

cular case of penalty or waiver of penalty or imposition of penalty as one likes. It is left to the discretion and authority of the concerned competent judicial authority.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: Was the discretion judicially exercised?

SHRI P. C. SETHI: I would like to quote in this connection the observations of the Madras High Court in the famous case of S. B. Adityan v. I. T. O. The High Court observed:

> "Whatever may be the position of the Board as top-most administrative authority, it cannot tell the assessing authority, viz., the I. T. O. what to do and what not to do in regard to a particular assessment. Extraneous influence in passing quasi-judicial orders vitiate them."

Further, in the case of Navneetlal Jhaveri v. K. K. Sen, the Supreme Court has held that the Board cannot issue general circulars which will be binding on the authorities below.

The Allahabad High Court in the case of Bela Singh Dowlat Singh also observed similarly.

Therefore, in this particular case when a question is asked, whether the Government is giving any relaxation or showing any concession to a particular individual, I would say, that is not correct. We have not interfered in this case. We are not going to interfere in any other case also.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: It could be done orally.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: It was also said that in such cases where the income-tax returns have been filed late, there have been cases of penalty only. I would like to point out to the hon. House that there are several cases in each commissionary—they are not new cases; they are old cases--during the time of the various Finance Ministers where the income-tax returns were filed late. There, the income-tax returns were filed late. For example, in the Delhi Charge there are cases where there was a delay of nine years, five years, five years, eight years and six years. If the hon. members desire, I could also read out the names. In the Ahmedabad Charge, there are cases of delay of nine years: Shri Ramji Durlabh from 1958-59 to 1966-67, a delay of nine years, no penalty was levied; Shri Viswanath Vinayak Joshi, a delay of nine years, no penalty was imposed Shri Mohanlal Dhanabhai, from 1960-61 to 1966-67, seven years, no penalty was imposed; Shri Kamlaben Mafatlal, from 1960-61 to 1967-68, a delay of eight years, no penalty was imposed.....(*Interruptions*).

श्री कंवर लाल गुप्त : ऐसे हजारों केसेज हैं जिनमें एक महीने की डिले पर पैनेल्टी ली गई है ।

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: Any case of delay of ten years? You can cite one case at least.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: As far as law is concerned, it makes no difference whether delay is of three months or six months or nine months or five years or nine years..... (*Interruptions*). As far as this particular question is concerned, I would like to explain.....

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: What are the reasons given by Shri Jagjiwan Ram, and what were the orders of the Commissioner thereon ?

SHRI P.C. SETHI: As far as the position of section 139(1) is concerned, I would admit that section 139(1) provides that all those who are liable to pay income-tax should file their returns. I have got here the departmental manual. I hope, the hon. former Deputy Prime Minister is aware of this office manual. According to this office manual, there was no need, in the case of those whose income-tax was being deducted, to issue notices. These were the departmental instructions. Notices under section 139(2) should be issued only in the case of those who have income from other sources. Therefore, in most of the salaried income cases where there are about 4 lakh assessees, notices under section 139(2) were generally not issued. (*Interruptions*). It is only in the case of salaried income people.....(*Interruptions*) I would not like to go into the names. I would like to point out very humbly that more than 350 Members of Parliament have either not filed their returns or filed their returns late. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI PILOO MODY: Expose them.

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS *rose.*

SHRI M. N. REDDY: This is a very serious matter. Unless he comes out with the names, this is very unfair to the house it should be expunged from the records.

SHRI N. K. SOMANI (Nagpur): Let him give the names.

SHRI PILOO MODY: Either the Minister names them, if not I take it that he is protecting them. Are you protecting them?

SHRI BUTA SINGH (Rupar): Is there the name of Smt. Tarakeshwari Sinha?

SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU (Chittoor): I have paid Rs. 3000 as penalty. (*Interruptions*).

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: If only one person speaks, I can follow. If all of you speak, I cannot follow anything.

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS *rose.*

SHRI S. S. KOTHARI: It is a question of the dignity of the House. (*Interruptions*)

MR DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Order please. the order first.

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI: Why do you bother? Most of the 350 members are here.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Mr. Mahajan, I would request you to co-operate with the Chair.

SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: May I submit now, Sir ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Unless I have a 100 ears, it is not possible for me to listen to everybody.

SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: A judicial inquiry should be instituted. That is what we are demanding.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Now, so many hon. Members this side have stood up.

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI: You will have to extend the time. So much time is lost.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: This is the last day of the Parliament. We do not want to return to our constituencies with this stigma attached to us. Names must be disclosed. (*Interruptions*).

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Hon. member will kindly sit down.

SHRI HEM BARUA: This is reprehensible.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: Either he should disclose the names or it should be expunged.

SHRI A. S. SAIGAL (Bilaspur): He should lay it on the Table.

SHRI J. M. BISWAS: Please ensure that the Minister comes out with the names.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I have not even been able to convey to hon. members what I wanted to say. Shri Guha takes away words from my mouth.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: This may be the last day of the session of this Lok Sabha.

SHRI MADHU LIMAYE: On a point of order.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : If members start shouting, where is order? They should listen to me. If 15 members get up and talk at the same time, is there any order at all? There is no order and, therefore, there is no point of order.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: I rise to a point of order.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Patodia has caught my eye first.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: May I clarify one thing before you allow them?

SHRI D. N. PATODIA: No. He cannot speak unless the point of order is cleared.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: If he withdraws it, there is nothing to raise by way of a point of order.

SHRI D. N. PATODIA: By making a statement that as many 350 MP's are involved in non-filing of returns, the hon. member has imputed motives. This has cast a reflection on the character, dignity, honesty and privileges of members. Anyone of us may be there. Even you may be one of them. Therefore, it is necessary for him to come out with all the names.

SHRI S. S. KOTHARI: On a point of order.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I shall dispose of the point of order already before me and then listen to others. There cannot be 100 points of order at the same time. It is all disorder.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH: Let it be expunged.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: I am verry sorry that so much heat is generated. What I had meant was that under 139(1), it is incumbent upon every member who is liable to income-tax to file his return. As regards MPS, their tax was deducted at source previously (*Interruptions*). In terms of 139(1), although their tax was deducted at source, it was absolutely necessary for them to file returns. Some of them have done so some have not yet filed. I was only giong to explain that although 139(1) provision is there, in spite of that provision, such persons whose tax is being deducted at source, if they fail to file return.....(*Interruptions*).

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: On a point or order.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: He is replying to the point of order raised. Kindly hear him.

SHRI RANGA: He has said enough in regard to that.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: He has not finished.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: Only one point more with regard to the institutions.....

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA: On this point I want to raise a point of order.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: Every Member of the House should be suspect in the eyes of the people.....(*Interruptions*).

SHRI S. S. KOTHARI: Before the Income-tax Act was amended, it was not incumbent upon those who had the tax deducted at source to file returns. Subsequently it was amended. Even then it was the duty of the income-tax department to send notices to Members of Parliament, despite deduction of tax at source. If the Members of Parliament have hot filed any returns, and if they have no other income, they have not committed any offence. It is a reflection on the dignity of all the Members of the House to make a bland statement that 350 Members have not filed their returns. If the Minister gave the names, most of them would come from the Congress Party. Therefore, he must either withdraw his statement or the Deputy speaker must expunge it because tomorrow it will be reported in the Press. The dignity of the entire House is involved. He must himself withdraw it or the Leader of the House must ask him to withdraw it. Or let him state the names.

SHRI NAMBIAR: If it is a matter of fact that 350 Members have not filed their returns, it is a matter of fact. There is no reflection on anybody. All those who have not filed their returns must file them tomorrow morning; that is all.

श्री मधु लिमये : मैं यह कहना चाहता हूं कि मंत्री महोदय ने कहा है कि वह नाम लेना नहीं चाहते लेकिन 350 संसद सदस्यों ने रिटर्न्ज फाइल नहीं की हैं । इस वक्त बहस चल रही है श्री जगजीवन राम जी के बारे में जिन्होंने दस साल तक रिटर्न फाइल नहीं की है—

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: A feeling has been created by the hon. Minister Mr. Sethi's statement that there are 360 Members of Parliament who have not filed their returns in time. The fact was that previously it was being deducted from our salary. We did not resist it. Mr. C. C. Desai or the courts or somebody raised objection and that objection was upheld. Suddenly, the tax was not being deducted from our salary. None of us are businessmen or landlords; we have no chartered accounts to do things for us. We did not object to the tax being deducted at source.

SHRI PILOO MODY: He has confessed it. Have you got his name on the list?

श्री मधु लिमये : मैं यह कह रहा था कि इस वक्त बहस चल रही है जगजीवन राम जी के बारे में । दूसरों से इस वक्त हमें क्या करना है । बहुत-से संसद सदस्य ऐसे हैं जिनकी कोई और इनकम नहीं होगी । लेकिन श्री सी० सी० देसाई के कहने पर मोरार जी भाई के जमाने में यह निर्णय हुआ कि इसको सैलेरी

[श्री मधु लिमये]

नहीं माना जाएगा । मुझे पता नहीं कि यह निर्णय किस अदालत का है । मैं समझता हूं कि यह निर्णय न हाई कोर्ट का है और न सुप्रीम कोर्ट का ।

SHRI MORARJI DESAI: That is the Attorney-General's opinion; therefore, it was accepted.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: You should not have accepted the Attorney-General's opinion. (*Interruption*)

श्री मधु लिमये : श्री देसाई मेरी बात को तो नहीं काट रहे हैं । यह हाई कोर्ट या सुप्रीम कोर्ट का निर्णय नहीं है । उनको जो कानूनी सलाह मिली, उसी के अनुसार उन्होंने श्री सी० सी० देसाई के कथन के बारे में निर्णय दिया । इस प्रश्न पर कोई अदालत में नहीं गया है । लेकिन जिस कानून के तहत हमको पैसा मिलता है, उसमें "सैलेरी" ही कहा गया है । मैं कोई इनकम टैक्स एक्सपर्ट नहीं हूं । और इस विषय को जल्दी जानना भी आसान नहीं है ।

श्री मोरारजी देसाई : यह भी इन्तजाम कर दिया गया था कि जिनको कटवाना है, वे अपनी खुशी से कटवा सकते हैं ।

श्री मधु लिमये : इसलिये मेरा निवेदन है कि सरकार पूरी सूची तत्काल सदन के टेबल पर रखे । उस सूची में यह जानकारी हो कि किस तारीख को किसने दिया । यह जानकारी देना जरूरी है, ताकि पता चले कि कितना डिले हुआ है, दस मास का या दो महीने का । अगर सरकार की तरफ से हाउस को इस तरह कन्फ्यूज किया जायेगा, तो यह ठीक नहीं है । मैं मांग करता हूं कि जिस किसी ने भी गलत काम किया है, सरकार उसको उसके अपराध के अनुसार दंडित करे । सरकार कमेटी के सामने चले; मैं इसके लिये तैयार हूं । जिन-जिन लोगों ने अपने रिटर्न 30 जून से पहले फाइल नहीं किये, उसके बाद किये हैं, उन सब के नाम और फाइल करने की तारीख दी जाए । **(व्यवधान)** मैं कानूनी बहस में नहीं पड़ना चाहता हूं । जिन्होंने समय के अन्दर रिटर्न नहीं दिये, उनके नाम और देने की तारीख दी जाए ।

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: I rise on a point of order.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: You have raised it.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: You should give me the facility to explain it. Why do you debar me when you have given the chance to others?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Let me dispose of the other one.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: I am on a point of order. You have given a chance to others. (*Interruption*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Let me hear Mr. Samar Guha on the same point of order and then I shall give my ruling.

SHRIMATI SUCHETA KRIPALANI (Gonda): I have a point of order.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: I will allow that. Please wait.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: The hon. Member has made a sweeping.

SHRI NAMBIAR: The time is over.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: What can I do?

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: The hon. Minister has made a sweeping remark that 350 Members of Parliament have not filed their income-tax returns. It may be anybody, from the Prime Minister, down to any hon. Member among them. Any of them may be the defaulters. It means that we will have to go back to the people with this stigma that the custodians of the law of this country, the custodians of the will of the people of this country, have themselves failed to discharge their duty in filing their returns. It will be a stigma on us, on Parliamentarians and on the parlimentary system or the institution as whole. Therefore, I would urge upon you to expunge that remark, because, even if you ask him to withdraw that observation, it will be published in the newspapers with headlines that Members of Parliament are defaulters in regard to the

payment of taxes. Therefore, those words should be expunged or he should disclose the names. Who knows that this day, today, may be the last day of this Parliament? We do not want to go back with the stigma that we have violated the law, we have dishonoured the will of the people.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH: This is not the last day of Parliament. This is the last day of the session.

SHRIMATI SUCHETA KRIPALANI: The minister said that 350 MPs. have defaulted. I am surprised that they want to equate them with this habitual continuous defaulting for ten years. There may be a default for 2 or 3 months due to oversight, but that cannot be equated with this.

Mr. Limaye has proposed that a list of such defaulters be placed on the Table along with the period of defaulting. As they have equated the case of the MPs with that Mr. Jagjivan Ram, I demand that Mr. Jagjiwan Ram's income-tax file be also placed on the Table. I also demand that a committee of Members of Parliament be set up to go into the whole matter.

SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL: The Minister has tried to mislead the House inasmuch as he has not referred to the legal position.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: You are not speaking on Mr. Patodia's point of order. You are raising a different point. I would not hear you now.

I will give my ruling on the point of order raised. The minister has made a certain statement and the members have made their submission. It is all on the record of the House. It is for the Government to consider what they are going to do in response to the members's submissions. As far as the order of the House is concerned, there is no point of order. (*Interruptions*). I would request the hon. Lady Member, Shrimati Sucheta Kriplani, to kindly cooperate with me. Now, let me put it to the House. We had extended the time upto 7.30.

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: Sir, the Cabinet Ministers do not think any lady is honourable. Look at the way they are laughing over your remark! (*Interruptions*).

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Now I want to take the sense of the House. We had extended the debate up to 7.30 p.m. Now it is 7.40 p.m. On account of the great feelings over this question, we have far exceeded our time. Now I would like to know up to what time we should continue this discussion..... (*Interruptions*). There is a proposal from Dr. Ram Subhag Singh that the debate may be adjourned.

SHRI RABI RAY: Yes, let us adjourn it to the next session..... (*interruptions*)

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH: That suggestion is not acceptable to us.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: That is the proposal. If there is no unanimity on it. I will put it to the House.

The question is :

"That the debate to this motion be adjourned to the next session."

The Lok Sabha divided:

AYES

Division No. 247] **[19·47hrs.**

Amat, Shri D.
Amin, Shri R. K.

Dar, Shri Abdul Ghani
Das, Shri N. T.
Dass, Shri C.
Desai, Shri Morarji
Devgun, Shri Hardayal
Dipa, Shri A.
Dwivedy, Shri Surendranath

Ghosh, Shri Bimalkanti
Gowda, Shri M. H.
Goyal, Shri Shri Chand
Guha, Shri Samar
Gupta, Shri Kanwar Lal
Gupta, Shri Ram Kishan

Hari Krishna, Shri
Himatsingka, Shri

Joshi, Shri S. M.

Kameshwar Singh, Shri
Kapoor, Shri Lakhan Lal
Katham, Shri B. N.
Kedaria, Shri C. M.
Kothari, Shri S. S.
Kripalani, Shri J. B.
Kripalani, Shrimati Sucheta

Lakkappa, Shri K.
Limaye, Shri Madhu

Madhok, Shri Bal Raj
Majhi, Shri M.
Masuria Din, Shri
Meena, Shri Meetha Lal
Mehta, Shri Asoka
Mehta, Shri P. M.
Misra, Shri Janeshwar
Misra, Shri Srinibas
Mody, Shri Piloo
Mohamed Imam, Shri J.
Mohinder Kaur, Shrimati
Molahu Prasad, Shri
Mondal, Shri J. K.
Mrityunjay Prasad, Shri
Mukerjee, Shrimati Sharda
Murti, Shri M. S.

Naghnoor, Shri M. N.
Naidu, Shri Chengalraya
Naik, Shri G. C.
Nayar, Shrimati Shakuntala

Onkar Singh, Shri

Parmar, Shri Bhaljibhai
Patel, Shri Manubhai
Patel, Shri N. N.
Patodia, Shri D. N.
Poonacha, Shri C. M.
Pramanik, Shri J. N.

Rajasekharan, Shri
Raju, Shri D. B.
Raju, Dr. D. S.
Ram Dhani Das, Shri
Ram Subhag Singh, Dr.
Ranga, Shri
Ranjit Singh, Shri
Rao, Shri V. Narasimha
Ray, Shri Rabi

Sanjit Rupji, Shri
Sapre, Shrimati Tara
Sarma, Shri A. T.
Sen, Shri P. G.
Shah, Shrimati Jayaben
Shah, Shri Shantilal
Sharma, Shri Ram Avtar
Sheo Narain, Shri
Seth, Shri T. M.
Singh, Shri D. N.
Sinha, Shrimati Tarkeshwari
Solanki, Shri S. M.
Somani, Shri N. K.
Supakar, Shri Sradhakar

Tapuriah, Shri S. K.

Venkatasubbaiah, Shri P.
Vidyarthi, Shri Ram Swarup
Viswambharan, Shri P.

Yadav, Shri Ram Sewak

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Achal Singh, Shri
Ahirwar, Shri Nathu Ram
Awadesh Chandra Singh, Shri
Azad, Shri Bhagwat Jha

Babunath Singh, Shri
Badrudduja, Shri
Bajpai, Shri Vidya Dhar
Banerjee, Shri S. M.
Barrow, Shri
Barua, Shri Bedabrata
Barupal, Shri P. L.
Basu, Dr. Maitreyee
Basu Matari, Shri D.
Baswant, Shri
Besra, Shri S. C.
Bhagat, Shri B. R.
Bhagavati, Shri

Bhakt Darshan, Shri
Bhandare, Shri R. D.
Bharti, Shri Maharaj Singh
Bist, Shri J. B. S.
Biswas, Shri J. M.
Bohra, Shri Onkarlal
Bramhanadji, Shri
Buta Singh, Shri

Chanda, Shri Anil K.
Chanda, Shrimati Jyotsna
Chandra Shekhar Singh, Shri
Chandrika Prasad, Shri
Chaturvedi, Shri R. L.
Chavan, Shri D. R.
Chavan, Shri Y. B.
Choudhary, Shri Valmiki
Choudhury, Shri J. K.

Dalbir Singh, Shri
Deoghare, Shri N. R.
Deshmukh, Shri B. D.
Deshmukh, Shri Shivajirao S.
Devinder Singh, Shri
Dhandapani, Shri
Dhuleshwar Meena, Shri
Dinesh Singh, Shri
Dixit, Shri G. C.

Ering, Shri D.

Gajraj Singh Rao, Shri
Gandhi, Shrimati Indira
Ganesh, Shri K. R.
Ganga Devi, Shrimati
Gautam, Shri C. D.
Gavit, Shri Tukaram
Ghosh, Shri P. K.
Ghosh, Shri Parimal
Girja Kumari, Shrimati
Govind Das, Dr.
Gupta, Shri Indrajit
Gupta, Shri Lakhan Lal

Haldar, Shri K.
Hanumanthaiya, Shri
Heerji Bhai, Shri
Hem Raj, Shri

Iqbal Singh, Shri

Jadhav, Shri Tulshidas
Jadhav, Shri V. N.
Jaggaiah, Shri K.
Jagjiwan Ram, Shri
Janardhanan, Shri C.
Jharkhande Rai, Shri

Kahandle, Shri Z. M.
Kamalanathan, Shri
Kamble, Shri
Kamala Kumari, Shrimati
Kandappan, Shri S.
Karan Sinth, Dr.
Karni Singh, Dr.
Kasture, Shri A. S.
Kavade, Shri B. R.
Kesri, Shri Sitaram
Khan, Shri Latafat Ali
Kinder Lal, Shri
Kirutinan, Shri
Kotoki, Shri Liladhar
Kureel, Shri B. N.
Kushok Bakula, Shri

Lalit Sen, Shri
Laskar, Shri N. R.
Laxmi Bai, Shrimati
Lutfal Haque, Shri

Madhukar, Shri K. M.
Mahadeva Prasad, Dr.
Mahajan, Vikram Chand
Mahida, Shri Narendra Singh
Mahishi, Dr. Sarojini
Mandal, Dr. P.
Mandal, Shri Yamuna Prasad
Mane, Shri Shankarrao
Marandi, Shri
Mayavan, Shri
Meghachandra, Shri M.
Minimata, Shrimati Agam Dass Guru
Mohammad Ismail, Shri
Mohammad Yusuf, Shri
Mohammed Sheriff, Shri
Mohsin, Shri
Mudrika Singh, Shri
Murthi, Shri B. S.

Nageshwar, Shri
Nanda, Shri

Oraon, Shri Kartik

Panigrahi, Shri Chintamani
Pant, Shri K. C.
Paokai Haokip, Shri
Parmar, Shri D. R.
Partap Singh, Shri
Parthasarathy, Shri
Paswan, Shri Kedar
Patil, Shri C. A.
Patil, Shri Deorao
Patil, Shri S. B.
Patil, Shri T. A.
Pradhani, Shri K.

Qureshi, Shri Shaffi

Radhabai, Shrimati B.
Raghu Ramaiah, Shri
Ram, Shri T.
Ram Dhan, Shri
Ram Sewak, Shri
Ram Swarup, Shri
Ramji Ram, Shri
Ramshekhar Prasad Singh, Shri
Rana, Shri M. B.
Randhir Singh, Shri
Rao, Shri Jaganath
Rao, Dr. K. L.
Rao, Shri K. Narayana
Rao, Shri Muthyal
Rao, Shri J. Ramapathi
Rao, Shri Thirumala
Rao, Dr. V. K. R. V.
Raut, Shri Bhola
Roy, Shri Bishwanath
Rao, Shrimati Uma

Sadhu Ram, Shri
Saha, Dr. S. K.
Saigal, Shri A. S.
Sait, Shri Ebrahim Sulaiman
Saleem, Shri M. Yunus
Salve, Shri N. K. P.
Saminathan, Shri
Sankata Prasad, Dr.
Savitri Shyam, Shrimati
Sayeed Shri P. M.
Sayeed Ali, Shri
Sen, Shri Deven
Sen, Shri Dwaipayan
Sethi, Shri P. C.
Sezhiyan, Shri
Shambhu Nath, Shri
Shankaranand, Shri
Sharma, Shri Madhoram
Sharma, Shri Naval Kishore
Sharma, Shri Yogendra
Shashi Bhushan, Shri
Shastri Shri Ramavatar
Shastri, Shri Ramanand
Shastri, Shri Sheopujan
Sher Singh, Shri
Shinde, Shri Annasahib
Shiv Chandika Prasad, Shri
Shukla, Shri S. N.
Shukla, Shri Vidya Charan
Siddayya, Shri
Sinha, Shri Satya Narayan
Sivasankaran, Shri
Snatak, Shri Nar Deo
Somasundaram, Shri S. D.
Sonar, Dr. A. G.
Sonavane, Shri
Sunder Lal, Shri
Surendra Pal Singh, Shri
Sursingh, Shri
Suryanarayana, Shri K.

Thakur, Shri P. R.
Tiwary, Shri D. N.
Tiwary, Shri K. N.
Tula Ram, Shri

Uikey, Shri M. G.
Ulaka, Shri Ramachandra

Verma, Shri Balgovind
Verma, Shri Prem Chand
Virbhadra Singh, Shri
Viswanatham, Shri Tenneti
Viswanathan, Shri G.
Vyas, Shri Ramesh Chandra

Yadav, Shri N. P.
Yadav, Shri Chandra Jeet

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The result of the division is : Ayes : 82; Noes : 194

The motion was negatived.

Some Hon. Member : shame, shame

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI RAGHU RAMAIA Sir, we will have this debate till 8-30 (*Interruption*).

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY : Sir this is unprecedented in the history of this Parliament and it is for the Chair to uphold the rights of the House. It is always possible for a majority party to deprive others, who have not expressed their opinion on a matter, of an opportunity by moving a cloruse motion in the midst of it and get it passed by virtue of thier majority But it is for the Chair to accept the closure motion or not. Because a motion has been moved for closure, you are not bound to put it to the House and get a majority verdict. It is for you to consider as to how much opinion has been expressed and whether the closure motion should be accepted or not. If they get it done in this way, it will be proved that it is a hoax and they are culprits. It is a proclamation that these guilty men have adopted the most questionable tactics to hide their guilt. I want to know what they are afraid of. They have a majority and the votes against the Resolution. They stand vindicated even by this process. But this procedure which they are adopting has never been done in this House. Now the Government depends on some support from the Opposition but even when Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was the Prime Minister and the Government party had an overwhelming majority which could kill any debate at any time, this has never happened. Therefore the prestige of the Chair should be upheld.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Let me first dispose of what Mr. Surendranath Dwivedy said. (*Interruptions*) Kindly listen to me.

श्री झारखंडे राय (घोसी) : ये सज्जन अपशब्दों का इस्तेमाल न करें नहीं तो कुछ हो जायेगा । . . . (व्यवधान) . . .

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA : Shri Jharkhande Rai said, "There will be a murder." (*Interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Mr. Jharkhande Rai, did you utter the words, "There will be a murder."? (*Interruptions*)

SHRI D. N. PATODIA : He has asid it.

SHRI PILOO MODY : I move that you suspend him for the rest of the session. (*Interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I could not hear anything because there was so much noise in the House. Mr Jharkhande Rai, did you utter those words ?

SHRI PILOO MODY : He said it. Are you asking for a confession? We are telling you, he said it.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I did not hear. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI PILOO MODU : That is why we are telling you. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH : He must apologise if he has said that.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA : He is going to forfeit the confidence of the House and the trust of us all. (*Interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I would like to know whether Mr. Piloo Mody wants to take the position that whatever he says in the House must be accepted as the gospel truth.

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : We heard it. He said, "खून हो जायेगा" "You don't believe us?" (*Interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Order, order. Kindly listen to me please allow me to speak. What the hon. Members have brought to my notice I did not hear with my own ears. There was so much din and noise in the House. When the Chair did not hear it, it has the right to verify whether that is right or not. That is what I am doing. You don't allow me to do that. I am putting it to Mr. Jharkhande Rai straight, whether he uttered the words "There will be a murder."

श्री झारखंडे राय : मैंने यह कहा कि इधर, मैं नाम नहीं जानता, ये सज्जन बैठे हैं, ये बार-बार गालियों का इस्तेमाल कर रहे थे · · · · · (**व्यवधान**) · · · · कुछ देर से शोर-शराबे में ये सज्जन गालियों का इस्तेमाल कर रहे थे, तो मैंने आपको एड्रेस करके यह कहा कि इन सज्जन को मना किया जाए, ये अपशब्दों का इस्तेमाल न करें, अगर अपशब्दों का इस्तेमाल करेंगे तो कुल हो सकता है · · · · · (**व्यवधान**) · · · · ·

श्री रवि राय : "कुल" का अर्थ क्या है ? · · (**व्यवधान**) · · ·

MR DEPUTY SPEAKER : Order order. Let me now dispose of what Mr. Dwivedy has said. Mr. Kripalani may please resume his seat.

SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH : What is the meaning of 'kul'?

MR. DEPUTY-SPAKER : I have disposed that of. Now I want to dispose of the point raised by Shri Dwivedy. He has asked the Chair to uphold the right of the members of this House. I fully agree that it should be done. Now one of the things that the Chair should do is to uphold the decision of the majority of this House, and where the Chair is not sure, the best course for the Chair is to put it to the House.....

SHRI RANGA : Not every time.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : In the case of closure, I will put it to the House. I call upon the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs to move. (*Interruption*) There is a proposal from the Minister of Parliamentary Affairrs that the debate should close by 8-30 p. m. Is there any amendment to that?

श्री मधु लिमये : मेरा प्वाइंट आफ आर्डर है · · · · · (**व्यवधान**) · · · · ·

श्री रवि राय : मेरा संशोधन है · · · · · (**व्यवधान**) · · · · ·

श्री मधु लिमये : संशोधन के पहले प्वाइंट आफ आर्डर सुन लीजिये ।

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : I have been standing.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Let me hear Mr. Kripalani for a minute.

SHRI J. M. BISWAS : How many times will he speak?

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : If my Communist friends do not want me to talk, I will sit down; I have no objection; even if one man objects to my talking, I will sit down.

SHRI NAMBIAR : The parties which have not so far spoken should be given at least five minutes.

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL (Dabhoi) : My hon. friend did not want Mr. Kripalani to speak? Is this democracy?

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : If I am allowed to speak, I will say this. A serious charge is made against a Minister. If you.... (*Interruptions*) if you don't want me to speak, I won't speak. I say, a serious charge against a Minister is made. For the ruling Party to stop discussion, I say, is not done. If they want to do it, they can do it. But the stigma will stick on them that they stifled the discussion.

20.00 hrs.

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : I was trying to catch your eye. You must listen to me. We want to co-operate with you. When this debate began, you settled that it should finish at 7 and then at 7-30 p. m. Now, on the order paper, after this discussion, there are four more items under Rule 193 and an half-an-hour discussion. Either you accept his suggestion or my suggestion. My submission is that all the work on the order paper must be finished. We are prepared to sit upto 12 midnight or 1 a. m. or 2 a. m. If the ruling Party thinks that the debate is going against them and they cannot face the House and by their majority want to stifle the discussion, it is not democracy. (*Interruptions*) Democracy is not run by rules only. There are conventions also. In this House the Opposition is never gagged. If necessary, we are prepared to sit upto 1 a. m. or 2 a.m. to finish the business on the order paper.

श्री मधु लिमये : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, पहले यहां शोरगुल हो रहा था इसलिये पहले मैं आपसे यह जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या यह बात सही है कि आपने संसद्-कार्य मंत्री श्री रघु-रामैया से कहा था कि वह अपना क्लोजर मोशन मूव करें ?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : No, no. I have never asked Mr. Raghu Ramaiah to do anything.

श्री मधु लिमये : तो फिर वह कौनसा मोशन यहां पर कर रहे हैं ? How can he get up like this. क्या मोशन है ? मोशन इस तरह से थोड़े ही होता है ।

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY: This cannot be done by consensus but by Rules.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Any Member can move the motion. Dr. Ram Subhag Singh moved his motion. It is not a closure motion. He is only moving a motion that the time be extended.

SHRI RANGA : You were good enough to say—that there is so much of noise in the House.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Order please. Let me hear Rangaji.

SHRI RANGA : The Chair is a continuing authority but the incumbents come and go. You have come only recently. But I would like to remind you of a Rule here. It is Rule 362 in regard to closure of discussion.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : There is no closure.

SHRI RANGA : Kindly bear with me because you were good enough to say that you do not want to take any decision at all. In a democracy where the established rule or authority or convention and practice prevail, whatever the majority wants to do, it must be allowed to do and the Chair has no place at all. That is the substance of what you have said.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : On this question.

SHRI RANGA : Then, where does the Chair come in? He is expected to use his discretion and also judgment and what is more, the Chair is expected to consider and is expected to ensure proper, full and reasonable debate in the House.

Whether it has taken place or not has got to be decided. That is within the discretion and judgement of the Speaker. Rule 362 says:

> "At any time after a motion has been made by any member may move: 'That the question be now put'.

I am only drawing your attention to the relevance or otherwise of what you were pleased to say which flabbergasts us because earlier you already decided that it is for the House and therefore you would put it to the House....-

> "and unless it appears to the Speaker that the motion is an abuse of thse rules or an infringement of the right of reasonable debate....."

I emphasise the right of reasonable debate 'the Speaker shall put the motion' That the question be now put."

Therefore, the Speaker has that discretion, also responsibility, to exercise his own judgment. You want us to believe that the Speaker need not exercise that judgment at all. This is not fair to the House. I would like you to keep that in mind, guide us and help us. Here is may hon. friend who moves that it should be extended by half-an-hour. In other words, what does it mean? That after half-an-hour, it should be closed. Now I have made the suggestion that it may not be closed after half-an-hour because they have demonstrated their majority, but let it be extended at least by another half-an-hour.

SHRI RAGHU RAMAIAH : We accept that.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The suggestion made by Shri Ranga is that the House may continue with this upto 9 p. m. I shall put it to the House.

श्री रवि राय : मेरा संशोधन है । मैं यह मान कर चलता हूं कि रीजनेबल डिबेट हुआ ही नहीं । यह सही है कि संसद्-कार्य मंत्री

[श्री रवि राय]

का एक मोशन है कि साढ़े सात बजे तक हाउस चलना चाहिये । मेरा संशोधन है कि हाउस में रोज़नेबल डिबेट के लिये 10 बजे तक समय बढ़ाया जाए ।

SHRI RAGHU RAMAIAH : I have agreed with Shri Ranga's suggestion that this may go till 9 a. m. That is my motion.

SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU : Then on the other subjects, the House must sit and dispose of them even it if means sitting till 4 a. m.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The motion made by Shri Rangaji that the House will continue this debate till 9 p. m. has been agreed to by Government. If you allow it, I will put it to the House.

SOME HON. MEMBERS : Not necessary.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : We will continue till 9 p. m.

SHRI P. C. SETHI : I would now not take much time of the House..

20.09 hrs.

[SHRI K. N. TIWARI *in the Chair*]

A point was made during the course of the debate about Shri Jagjivan Ram's association with different companies, trusts, HHFs etc. As far as this position is concerned, information was given to the House.

As far as the companies are concerned, he is not associated with any of the companies. (*Interruptions*).

श्री नन्द कुमार सोमानी : रूलिंग के बारे में मेरा 'वाइंट आफ आर्डर है ।

सभापति महोदय रूलिंग पर नहीं हो हो सकता है ।

श्री नन्द कुमार सोमानी : 350 मेम्बरों के बारे में आपको अपना जजमेंट देना है । लिस्ट रखेंगे या नहीं ?

SHRI P. C. SETHI : As far as information about 42 institution is concerned, information with regard to 37 has come. We have made all possible efforts and we have laid on the Table of the House information with regard to various institutions. 17 have either nil income or income below taxable limit during the last three years. Eight are exempt from tax. Two have closed down. Four are still in the formative stage and so on. Only in the case of one, Depressed Classes League income is either through Government donations or through private donations. It is also exempt from tax. There is only the question of Bharat Krishak Samaj. I need not go into those details because that had been fully answered during the course of the question hour. As far as Shri Jagjivan Ram's presidentship is concerned he became its President in 1968.

The Chairman happens to be in charge of accounts. The income-tax cases of the Samaj are pending disposal and their application under section 11 for exemption from income-tax is also pending disposal. As a public man if his association is there with some of these institutions which are either charitable or educational, or something of that nature, then nobody can say that his association with those institutions was wrong.

As far as income-tax or other tax matters are concerned, they have been disposed of according to law and whatever interest was due according to law has been charged and therefore it cannot be said that anything has been done in a manner which smacks of favouritism or that any favours had been shown.

SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA : Why not you set up an independent enquiry committee. It is a clear case of nepotism.

सभापति महोदय मेहरबानी करके शांतिपूर्वक सुनिये ।

SHRI P. C. SETHI : In conclusion I should like to say that as far as law is concerned, it has taken its course and nothing extra-ordinary has been done. Everything has proceeded according to law and all these questions are being raised with political motivation....(*Interruptions*)

MR. CHAIRMAN : Nothing will go on record unless I allow an hon. Member to speak. Shri Indrajit Gupta.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA (Alipore) : Mr. Chairman, the resolution that is before the House calls in its operative part for a Committee of Members of Parliament to be appointed to investigate these allegations against Jagjivan Ram.

Mr. Imam who has moved this resolution and also the ex-Finance Minister, Mr. Desai, when they spoke, quite correctly, in my opinion, said that this is a question of principle. The people who held high public office like Ministers, and I would say even Members of Parliament, should be subject to scrutiny to see that they are not guilty. It is not only a question of some technical breach of the law, but even of any impropriety. I fully agree and my party fully agrees with these sentiments.

But here, let me say—as was said outside—that we are prepared to have a standing committee of Members of Parliament, as asked for by this resolution, a standing committee, to which always all allegations of this type regarding tax evasion, breach of taxation laws, failure to file returns, delay in filing returns by any Minister, past or present, or any of the Members of Parliament, can be referred. We are for it.

SOME HON. MEMBERS : Accepted.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : But when the whole resolution before us is limited and restricted to one single individual, naturally a doubt arises in our mind as to why—you tell me why—the others are being left out. I do not hold any brief for Mr. Jagjivan Ram. I feel from what I have heard, although I am not a lawyer dealing with income-tax matters, there can be no doubt in this matter, that Mr. Jagjivan Ram has been guilty of violation of the income-tax rules and laws. Whether that is a technical breach or something more serious is not possible for me to judge. The lawyers can go on arguing about it. Certainly, I will say to Mr. Jagjivan Ram that a Cabinet Minister of his eminence should have been much more careful to see that in such matters, proper standards of propriety and vigilance are maintained. Beyond that, he is capable of defending himself. I hope whatever course the law would take—of course, the law would take its course—he will face it. But I want to know, and I regret very much one thing, because the original resolution moved by Mr. Imam included in it other Ministres also. I am very sorry : I cannot cast any reflection on the Speaker. I do not want to say that the Speaker had any intention. But I am very sorry that the rules by which we are guided are capable of being interpreted in such a way, and unintentionally perhaps that we have to stick to the letter of the rules, but the net effect of this is that the whole thing comes here as though it is pinpointed against one single individual only, and I find certain people on this side of the House who want to rub it in exactly in that way as if nobody else is to be blamed. Only one person is mentioned. But in the course of the debate, it has come to that this things was in respect of 350 Members of Parliament, and I myself may be one of those gentlemen. (*Interruption*) It does not matter, but the point is this. The question to which answer was given in the month of March and to which reference has been made, has also contained names of many Ministers; some of them are present Ministers; some are ex-Ministers now. I am told that though this is a high-sounding question of principle, if the man is guilty of having failed to file his returns for 10 years, it must be taken up very, very seriously, but if somebody has done it for 10 months, there is no such principle involved. (*Interruption*) I do not say it. Mr. Desai said that if this question had not been raised in Parliament, this thing might have continued in the case of Mr. Jagjivan Ram. It might have continued; but if the question had not been raised it might have continued in the case of the others also. Why not I find in that list, Mr. Asoka Mehta's name; I find Dr. Ram Subhag Singh's name. I find Mr. Poonacha's name. Why are they left out? (*Interruption*)

श्री शशि भूषण : श्री अशोक मेहता, श्री पूणाचा, डा० राम सुभग सिंह आदि ने कई वर्षों तक रिटर्न फाइल नहीं की हैं ।

DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH : Sir, I submit that it was the department concerned which did not maintain it. I wrote and got it and I have paid all the taxes. I have got the receipts with me. I have deposited the amounts in time. I challenge

[Dr. RAM SUBHAG SINGH]

anybody to prove otherwise. I say it with a full sense of responsibility that all the deposits were made in time and there was not even one day's delay. It was deposited in time.

SHRI ASOKA MEHTA (Bhandara): My name has been mentioned more than once during this debate. I would, therefore, like to make one thing clear. I was in the Planning Commission for a period of 5 years. During that entire period, over and above paying my taxes, I have returned Rs. 900 per month from my salary to the Government. I retained only Rs. 800 per month and returned Rs. 900 to Government. I have thus paid more than Rs. 50,000 to the Government over and above what is due from me by way of taxes. There are limits to maligning persons.

DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH : I demand from the Finance Minister, let him say from where the Foreign Trade Minister got the money to build his House in Maharanibagh. I ask the Prime Minister.

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT) : I am sorry the hon. member is making irresponsible allegations. You can go to the income-tax department and see all the returns. He is making irresponsible allegations without knowing the facts. I challenge him.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Therefore, Sir, I make this allegation in all seriousness that this particular resolution in that particular way it has been brought forward, is nothing bu actional game intended to blackmail certain people. Otherwise, I challenge everybody. Let a standing committee be set up to go into allegations against everybody. (*Interruptions*). I have no intention of putting the cat against the pigeons like this! (*Interruptions*)

The reason why I had tabled my amendment which the Speaker did not admit was this. I say that during the whole period to which this allegation refers, the high priest, under whose dispensation income-tax evasion on a massive scale has gone on in this country, i.e. the ex-Finance Minister, Mr. Morarji Desai..... (*Interruptions*).

I think I was misunderstood because I was speaking in allegory.... (*Interruptions*). At this stage I may say that in the temple of tax evasion, whose high priest was Shri Morarji Desai, at least during the period 1958-64 one of the vestal virgins of that temple was Shrimati Tarkeswari Sinha herself.... (*Interruptions.*)

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : This kind of language about ladies here should not be tolerated.... (*Interruptions*). He should withdraw those words. (*Interruptions*).

MR. CHAIRMAN : He should withdraw those remarks against the lady.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Mr. Chairman, I am always willing to submit to your ruling. But when I made those remarks I thought that my English would be understood at least by her. Have I said anything which is unparliamentary ?

MR. CHAIRMAN : Please withdraw those words against the lady. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : What have I said which is objectionable?

MR. CHAIRMAN : I will go through the records. If there is anything which is unparliamentary I will expunge it.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Before you expunge it, kindly consult some Professor of English or history... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI RAM KRISHAN GUPTA (Hissar) This is an insult to the chair..... (*Interruptions*).

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : This discussion has certainly thrown light on the functioning of the Income-tax Department. There is no doubt about it that there is serious demoralisation in the Income-tax Department. But I want to know who is responsible for it. If honest income-tax officers are discouraged and dishonest income-tax officers are encouraged, if there is deterioration and demoralisation over the years, are these people in the Finance Ministry for so many years, the Minister, Deputy Minister and so on, are they not at all responsible for it? Are they not in any way responsible? They have to wash their hands clean off the whole thing.

SHRI SHEO NARAIN (Basti) : What are you doing in Bengal?

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : I will tell you....(*Interruption*)

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL : Let a commission be appointed to find out who is responsible. Let him accept our demand.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : That should be appointed for everybody.

SOME HON. MEMBERS : Yes, yes.... (*Interruption*)

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Because my hon. friend, Shri Sheo Narain, wants to know what is happening in Calcutta, I will tell him that there is a gentleman in Calcutta called Shri Laxman Prabhu who has been one of the most tested and tried informers of the Finance Ministry and Tax Department to find out tax evasion cases. Shri Laxman Prabhu has been responsible for unearthing nearly Rs. 1 crore of tax evasion by Birlas and other big houses of Calcutta. Almost one of the last acts performed by the Finance Ministry before Shri Morarji Desai was removed from there was to blacklist Shri Laxman Prabhu—I have got that d.o. letter with me—so that he cannot give information in future. Who is responsible for this....(*Interruption*) ?

SHRI MORARJI DESAI : It is wholly untrue.....(*Interruption*)

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA : I charge that he was working for the Communist Party. Shame on the Communist Party who was charging commission from Shri Prabhu.....(*Interruption*)

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Shri Morarji Desai, as Finance Minister, had all this information at his disposal regarding various ministers. This information was kept suppressed for so long. Only at a particular time after the mid-term election and after the Faridabad session of the Congress, when a certain move was set afoot to capture power by certain people, these figures and this information were given out in order to blackmail certain people.

Therefore we are not going to play this factional game. We are prepared for an all-embracing inquiry into everybody—ministers, present and ex, and MPs, if necessary. Let such a committee be set up. But this is a purely factional move and we cannot support it.

SHRI NAMBIAR : Let all the dirty linen be washed.

श्री मधु लिमये : सभापति महोदय, श्री इन्द्रजीत गुप्त का भाषण मैंने बड़े गौर से सुना और उनका पूरा भाषण सुनने के बाद मेरी समझ में नहीं आता कि यदि वह चाहते हैं कि सभी मंत्रियों, सभी संसद् सदस्यों, सभी बड़े अफसरों, विधान मंडल के सदस्यों, यानी जो-जो अपने को समाज का नेता कहते हैं, उनको एक अच्छा आदर्श समाज के सामने, देश के सामने पेश करना चाहिये—यदि यह उनकी राय है और यदि वह चाहते हैं कि इनके मामलों की निष्पक्ष जांच हो और जो दोषी हैं उनको दण्डित किया जाए, तो मेरी समझ में नहीं आता कि जब इमाम साहब एक मामला उठाते हैं और उसमें जगजीवन राम के साथ उसी तरह अन्य मिनिस्टरों की बात भी थी, उसमें स्पीकर साहब ने अगर उनके प्रस्ताव से अन्य मंत्रियों को निकाल दिया था या आपके द्वारा जो संशोधन रखा गया था उसको यदि सभापति ने नहीं स्वीकारा तो उसका दोष इमाम साहब का कैसे है या हम लोगों का कैसे है ?

श्री इन्द्रजीत गुप्ता : दोष किसी का भी नहीं है, हम किसी को दोष नहीं दे रहे हैं ।

श्री मधु लिमये : हम आपसे सहमत हैं, जब आपने ललकारा है तो जहां तक कमेटी नियुक्त करने का सवाल है, इसके दो रास्ते हैं । एक रास्ता तो यह है कि सभापति स्वयं कमेटी नियुक्त करे । संसदीय कमेटी को नियुक्त करने का उनको पूरा अधिकार है । जहां तक स्थायी समिति का सवाल है—स्थायी समिति के बारे में तो एक अर्से से हम लोगों का झगड़ा चल रहा है । अगर वित्त मंत्रालय के लिये और अन्य मंत्रालयों के लिये स्थायी समिति का गठन होता तो ये मामले जरूर उस कमेटी के सामने आते या नहीं आते ?

[**श्री मधु लिमये**]

लेकिन स्थायी समिति का विरोध हमने नहीं किया है । आज मैं डा० राम सुभाग सिंह जी से कहना चाहता हूं—आप जब संसदीय कार्य मंत्री थे तो हम सात दलों के प्रतिनिधि आपके साथ बहस करते थे । न प्रधान मंत्री ने इसको कबूल किया और मुझे पता नहीं आपने उसके लिये क्या कोशिश की । तो आज भी इन्द्रजीत गुप्ता और उनकी पार्टी इस बिना पर ही इस प्रस्ताव पर वोट न देने का निर्णय करे या खिलाफ देने का निर्णय करे—अगर सरकार इस चुनौती को स्वीकार करती है । अगर सरकार चुनौती स्वीकार नहीं करती है ..... **(व्यवधान)** ..... आप क्यों घबराते हैं । इन्द्रजीत गुप्ता ने सरकार को ललकारा है, सभी लोगों को ललकारा है । जहां तक स्थायी समिति का सवाल है, कांग्रेस अपोजीशन की क्या राय है, मैं नहीं जानता, लेकिन जहां तक अन्य सात दलों का सवाल है, हम कई दफा मांग कर चुके हैं और आज मैं चुनौती देता हूं कि प्रधान मंत्री हमारी मांग को स्वीकार करें .....

डा० राम सुभग सिंह : हम स्थायी समिति चाहते हैं ।

श्री मधु लिमये : लेकिन अगर सरकार तैयार नहीं है, स्पीकर साहब तैयार नहीं हैं, तो इसका मतलब यह है कि जो मामले यहां पर आते हैं तो उस पर आप वोट नहीं करेंगे ।

टैक्स की चोरी करने के बारे में सवाल इस सदन में उठाए गए हैं और जहां तक मुझे याद पड़ता है इन्द्रजीत गुप्ता ने भी इस मामले में हमारा साथ दिया है, तो यकायक ऐसी कौनसी घटना घटी कि आप अपनी नीति में परिवर्तन कर रहे हैं ? ....

श्री योगेन्द्र शर्मा : हम अपनी नीति में परिवर्तन नहीं कर रहे हैं । लेकिन जिस तरह से यह सवाल यहां पर उठाया गया है, यह फैक्शंड मूव है और हम फैक्शनल मूव में किसी के साथ नहीं हैं ।

श्री मधु लिमये : मैं उन लोगों से अपील करना चाहता हूं जो फैक्शंड प्रस्ताव का समर्थन नहीं करना चाहते हैं कि वे भी किसी एक फैक्शन का समर्थन करने का काम, प्रत्यक्ष या अप्रत्यक्ष रूप से यहां पर कर रहे हैं । इसलिये मैं उनसे निवेदन करना चाहता हूं कि आज नहीं तो कल सभी लोगों को जनता के सामने जाना पड़ेगा, इसलिये एक पक्षीय दृष्टिकोण से, दलगत दृष्टिकोण से इसके बारे में विचार न किया जाए ।

सभापति महोदय, प्रधान मंत्री जी अभी बोलनेवाली हैं, क्या वह इसका खुलासा करेंगी—अगर वह मानती हैं कि मंत्री, संसद सदस्य, विधान मंडल के सदस्य और बड़े-बड़े अफसरों को अच्छा आदर्श पेश करना चाहिये—यदि आपकी यह राय है तो क्या आप इसकी घोषणा करने के लिये तैयार हैं कि इस प्रस्ताव के साथ-साथ यह स्थायी समिति के लिये या संसदीय समिति के लिये स्पीकर साहब को हमारे साथ एक संयुक्त पत्र लिखें कि सब लोगों की जांच हो ..... **(व्यवधान)** .....।

मैं कह रहा हूं कि प्रधान मंत्री हम लोगों के साथ मिल कर संयुक्त पत्र अध्यक्ष महोदय को लिखें और एक संसदीय समिति गठित की जाए । अगर स्थाई समिति के बारे में उनका मन परिवर्तन हुआ हो तो वह भी बताएं, उसके लिये भी हम तैयार हैं ।

दूसरी बात यह है कि यह केवल कानूनी बारीकी का सवाल नहीं है, केवल तकनीकी बातों का सवाल नहीं है, जिसके बारे में मैं मानता हूं कि माल्वे साहब बहुत अनुभवी और विद्वान आदमी हैं । इन चीजों के बारे में हम नहीं जानते । इसमें तो जो मोटी नीति है और समाजद्रोहियों को दबाने की जो बात है वह सदन के सामने और मुल्क के सामने है । तो इस बात को भी वे स्वीकार करें । कोई तकनीकी जवाब इसका न दिया जाए । इसमें जो नीति है और समाजद्रोहियों के ऊपर

रोक लगाने का जो मामला है उसके बारे में सरकार की क्या राय है, उसको बताया जाए ..... **(व्यवधान)** ..... मैं दो-तीन मिनट में समाप्त कर रहा हूं ।

उसके साथ-साथ इनकम टैक्स डिपार्टमेंट जिस तरह से काम करता है, उसमें क्या खामी है, जैसे कि एक खामी की तरफ भूतपूर्व वित्त मंत्री जी ने ध्यान दिलाया और उन्होंने कहा कि एक साल नोटिस दी लेकिन बाकी साल नोटिस नहीं दी । ये कई साल तक वित्त मंत्री रहे हैं, उनके पहले सचीन चौधरी और कृष्णमाचारी जी थे और प्रधान मंत्री भी चार साल से प्रधान मंत्री रही हैं । तो कम से कम इस बात का यह फायदा हुआ कि इनकम टैक्स आफिसर अब नोटिस देने लगे हैं । सभी संसद सदस्यों को नोटिस देने लगे हैं । यह भी मैं समझता हूं एक फायदा हुआ है । **(व्यवधान)** ..... मैंने तो नोटिस के पहले ही दे रखा है । **(व्यवधान)** ..... मैं किसी व्यक्ति का उल्लेख नहीं कर रहा था । **(व्यवधान)** ..... नोटिस की मेरे पास रसीद है—आप क्या बात कर रहे हैं । अगर नोटिस जाली हो तो दूसरी बात है । **(व्यवधान)** ..... तो मैं यह कह रहा था कि जो बुनियादी सवाल है इनकम टैक्स डिपार्टमेन्ट का काम-काज ढीला है उसको ठीक कर दिया जाए ।

अंतिम बात मैं यह कहना चाहता हूं कि आप डिस्क्रीशन की बात कर रहे हैं, विवेकपूर्ण अधिकार की बात कर रहे हैं लेकिन इनकम टैक्स डिपार्टमेन्ट के किसी भी अफसर का दर्जा, जब कि वे केन्द्रीय सरकार के नौकर हैं, हाईकोर्ट के जज या सुप्रीम कोर्ट के जज की तरह नहीं है तो क्या आप यह अनुमान करते हैं कि इनकम टैक्स डिपार्टमेन्ट का कोई भी अफसर मंत्री के खिलाफ कार्यवाही करते समय रियायत नहीं करेगा ? ..... **(व्यवधान)** ..... आप ठीक तरह से समझ लीजिये कि जब वह केन्द्रीय सरकार का नौकर है तो यह स्वाभाविक है कि आज की स्थिति में वह रियायत करेगा । इसलिये विवेकपूर्ण अधिकारों के इस्तेमाल की आड़ में न छुपिये और संसदीय समिति के बारे में जो प्रस्ताव आया है—सिर्फ जगजीवन राम जी के बारे में ही नहीं बल्कि और लोगों के मामले भी देना चाहते हैं तो मेरा विरोध नहीं है, सब के मामले दे दो लेकिन सब के मामले नहीं आ रहे हैं इस बिना पर मेरे मार्क्सवादी और दक्षिणपंथी मित्र इसका भी विरोध न करें ।

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI (Guna) : When I heard Mr. Salve speaking, I thought that I might appoint him as my agent for giving my income-tax returns. But I suppose, his fees must be very exorbitant if he can argue so well, and if he can argue for my income-tax so well, I can only save a few rupees which may not satisfy him. I think here also many people will agree with me and they will also give him the job of dealing with their income tax returns and they will get very great advantage.

AN HON. MEMBER : He will do gratis.

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : I would also ask the Deputy Finance Minister to be my agent in this respect but he is already holding the post in the Government. So I cannot offer him my agency. My offer is open and he can accept it at any time.

Another thing is that it is not a question of law or any thing. Great people not only have to act rightly but they must also appear to be acting rightly. Otherwise, their actions will have no value. I remember when there was a discussion about Mr. Morarji Desai and his son, I said this at that time also. They have got to be right in their actions as also they must be right before the public. If they are not right before the public, in my humble opinion, they have no right to be in the Government. This is the law in England. In England a man's private conduct is his own concern. But as soon as he creates a scandal, then there is no question whether he is right or wrong. There is no question whether he did well or not. His private conduct is his own concern but his public conduct must not create a scandal. This is the convention in England and we follow the English procedures in many respects.

[SHRI J. B. KRIPLANI]

I am glad that the Prime Minister has followed the English procedure. What more do you want? She has dismissed him. How do they dismiss? In England, if anybody is found guilty, if he is a big man, he is kicked upstairs and our friend has been kicked upstairs. What more do you want? I think this matter should be dropped here. The Prime Minister has taken action. Mr. Jagjivan Ram is my old friend and he will not mind what I say. Mr. Jagjivan Ram is always willing to accept the authority of those who are placed over him. His name was proposed for Presidentship and he was told that he should not offer himself as a candidate. He declared publicly that he did not want to stand as a candidate because he was told not to. Then again a word came that he should be a candidate and he was a candidate. You cannot blame him. He is as loyal as Morarjibhai used to be and the Prime Minister gave him credit for loyalty and also dealt with him as loyal people ought to be dealt with !.

But there is another question to answer. My Communist friends say that the attack on Jagjivan Ram is politically motivated. The question is not whether a charge is politically motivated or not ? Is the charge true or not ? That is the whole question. When you, the Communists, vote, are you politically motivated or not ? It is not the question of political motivation, Mr. Gupta.

20.49 hrs.

[MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER *in the Chair.*]

SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA : It is very very important. How do you want to discard the political motive ?

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : You are quite right. Political motive is very important. But political motive is important only in the moral world. Political motive is not relevant in the political field. No judge will give any judgment on motives. He will judge the actions. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA : Who says ? With all respect to Acharyaji, I must say that motive is a very important matter.

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : I canot shout. He will kindly excuse me. He can shout anything after I have finished. I only say when there are facts to be considered, motive is irrelevant. (*Interruptions*).

एक माननीय सदस्य : अहमदाबाद में आपने कहा था कि तुम पुराने पापी हो ।

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : I told them this. Now I am going to tell these friends also.

"पुराने पापी हो"

They listened to me there with respect. These people here are disrespectful.

My communist friends may be right in their judgment and I may be wrong. But this is my idea, that a question of motive comes when a false charge is made. When a charge is true, the question of motive does not arise. We all have all sorts of motives. I hope the motives of the Communist Party are a shining light. I have no objection to that. On that part of the House, they are all honest people. But as I said, they are all old sinners—I said so in Ahmedabad. But that is a question apart.

The thing is that we have to decide on the facts, whether the tax was paid or was not paid, whether it was a conduct worthy of a Minister or not, whether he had any reasons for doing that. Has this episode not created a scandal in this country? Has it not thrown doubt on the honesty of every member of the Cabinet, and today, on every member of this House?

AN HON. MEMBER : He is a hypocrite (*Interruptions*)

SOME HON. MEMBERS *rose*—

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : I object to this man's calling me a 'hypocrite'.

AN HON. MEMBER : Who said that ?

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : The Acharya is an elder statesman of the country. We may not agree with him. But respect must be shown to him.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : We should show respect to Kripalaniji. We should show respect to each other also.

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : I have not shown any disrespect to anybody in this House. I never interfere, I never call names, I never ask questions. I quietly make my speech, and that also I do in such a light, humorous way so that nobody may

be injured. If these people feel injured, I have said to those people 'You are all sinners'. I say to these people also 'You are all sinners'. What is he talking to me ? I know them all.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Before I ask Shri Jagjiwan Ram to take the floor, I want to say this. We had agreed to sit upto 9 P.M. Now it is 5 minutes to 9.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU (Diamond Harbour) : My Party should have been allowed much earlier. We must be given time.

MR DEPUTY-SPEAKER : All parties will have their right. Let us first settle this question.

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : All speeches may be very short.

SHRI NAMBIAR : On a point of order. There are certain procedures followed. My party is bigger than other parties who have already been allowed. Repeatedly we have been requesting you for a chance. But to no effect. I am very sorry. I have to protest. I did not shout. I was sitting here all the time. But when it goes beyond the tolerance point, I cannot tolerate it.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Shri Dwivedy.

SHRI NAMBIAR : Why is my party spokesman being postponed till the very end ? You said that you would call him after Kripalaniji ? I feel injured; my party is treated in a disrespectful manner.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : All right. I shall call Dwivediji afterwards. Now, Shri Viswanatha Menon.

SHRI VISWANATHA MENON (Ernakulam) : On behalf of my party, I welcome this resolution, whether or not it is a product of factional fight because those two parties which were ruling together were looting the people and doing injury to the people. Now they are fighting. We hope one after another all their misdeeds must come before the House and the people of India must understand it. I am not here holding any brief for Mr. Desai or Mr. Jagjivan Ram; both have, according to me, done harm to this country. So those things must come to Parliament and all the people should know. I do not agree with Mr. Indrajit Gupta. I welcome these things; let them come up.... (*Interruptions*) I want to make it clear that on the question of Jagjivan Ram's income-tax resolution, all things which happened during the last 22 years in the rule of both those groups should be brought out. This is a small thing. For ten years Morarji Desai kept quiet....(*Interruptions.*) He acted only after the Bangalore session. He used it as a blackmail against Jagjivan Ram.

SHRI MORARJI DESAI : No, no.... (*Interruptions.*)

SHRI VISWANATHA MENON : When they were together, they were smashing all the genuine people; they were looting the public. I have got another allegation to make. This committee sought to be set up by Mr. Imam has only limited scope. It must have a wider scope; it must go to foreign countries and see whether he has got money in foreign banks. According to my information, there are two crores of rupees in a foreign bank. That committee must go into that also. I welcome the idea mooted by Indrajit Gupta to have a committee to go into all these things of others also.

SHRI P. C. SETHI : The hon. Member is making a very wild allegation. It must be expunged....(*Interruptions.*)

SHRI VISWANATHA MENON : In our language, there is a saying. When two thieves fall out, truth will come out. That is how truths are now coming out..... (*Interruptions.*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : He has made an allegation. A protest had been made. When Shri Jagjivan Ram speaks, he has the right to repudiate it if he so wishes.

SHRI VISWANATHA MENON : I do not want to ask about the niceties of the law. I only want to refer to the matter under discussion. The only point is, during the last 22 years, these people have been running the show, and now they have split, and now they are putting across allegations. We must welcome it, and let the people of India know what is going to be the administration for the future. With these words I welcome this resolution.

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SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : Sir, I stand on a point of order. Kindly refer to rule 353 which says :

> "No allegation of a defamatory or incriminatory nature shall be made by a Member against any person unless the Member has given previous intimation to the Speaker and also to the Minister concerned so that the Minister may be able to make an investigation into the matter for the purpose of a reply."

My respectful submission is that even if a modicum of the rules of decency has to be maintained, or a sense of decency is to be maintained, and if we have to maintain some decorum in this House, this type of allegation would never be justified.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH : It should be expunged.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : This allegation has been made in complete violation of the rules. It must be expunged from the proceedings of the House.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH : Either he should be warned or the words should be expunged.

SHRI RABI RAY : Sir, a point of order.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Let me dispose of the first point of order.

SHRI MUTHYAL RAO (Nagar Kurnool) : May I say a word?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Let me first dispose of the first point of order, raised by Mr. Salve. He has drawn my attention to rule 353 which says that the Speaker may at any time prohibit any Member from making any such allegations and so on.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : Rule 353 deals with allegations of an incriminatory nature.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Kindly listen to me. The whole thing comes in the course of a speech made. Now, as far as the dignity of the House is concerned, I am concerned only with the language which is unparliamentary, unbecoming of the Members of the House.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : Not the language, but the allegation.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : He has made certain statements in the course of his speech. Protests against it have been made. It has also been submitted that it is a wild allegation, a baseless allegation. That has been submitted from the other side. It is all in the records of the House.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH : It must be expunged. The Member must apologise. (*Interruption.*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The Member against whom the allegation has been made will also be making his speech. It is all in front of the House. I cannot shut out anybody.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH : We will not allow him to speak unless he apologises.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Mr. Menon, I would request you to be brief. Your time is over.

SHRI VISWANATHA MENON : Only one minute.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE : Sir, I bow down to your ruling.

SHRI MUTHYAL RAO : Sir, I challenge Mr. Viswanatha Menon. If Mr Menon can prove that Mr. Jagjivan Ram has got Rs. 2 crores in any foreign country, I am prepared to resign. (*Interruption*) If he does not prove, he must resign.

SOME HON. MEMBERS : Who are you ?

SHRI MUTHYAL RAO : I am a member of this party; I am a member of his party. He is my leader.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Mr. Menon, kindly conclude your speech.

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE, AND LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION (SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM) : Sir, I only want to submit one thing. If anybody can prove that I have got a single penny in any country outside India, I will retire from public life.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH : Mr. Menon must apologise. (*Interruption*)

SHRI VISWANATHA MENON : Then why not agree to a committee?

SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM : If the man making such an allegation has any gentlemanliness in him, he will also offer that if it is not proved, he will also retire from public life.

SHRI VISWANATHAN MENON : Let a committee be constituted to enquire, I accept the challenge.

SHRI RANDHIR SINGH : This must be expunged. He must apologise for all that. We will not allow him to speak. There is a limit. This sort of goondaism cannot be tolerated. Only goondas can make such allegations.

SHRI VISWANATHA MENON : If a committee be constituted to enquire, I take up his challenge. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY (Kendrapara) : Sir, at this stage of the debate, I do not propose to go into the details of the whole affair. Much heat has been generated in this House. I do not want to go into the legal aspect of it. I only want to put one question to Jagjiwan Babu, whether being a responsible man holding a reponsible public position in the Government, it is not a lapse on his part which will create such an atmosphere and precedent which will not only affect our public life but which will have its repercussions on the administration also, leading to its deterioration ? What is the remedy now to uphold the dignity of the nation and the dignity of public life and also uphold the rule of the administration ? That is the only point for consideration. Political motives have been brought into it. I also give notice of this resolution, but it did not get the chance in the ballot. Fortunately, Mr. Imam's resolution got the chance. Even today I did not move my amendment that he should resign. I felt that probably after hearing all that has happened, he will voluntarily resign and there is no need for passing this resolution. I have that confidence in him, because he is going to become the President of an organisation which hopes to rule this country or some time to come. He has to consider whether in such a situation he will really be able to discharge his duty and create confidence in the minds of the people if he is not voluntarily prepared to take this course of action. I think the government should forward with the statement that they will accept the suggestion for the appointment of a committee. At the same time, let that committee go into the question of not only this Minister but all Ministers, ex-Ministers and even Members of Parliament. I have no objection. If government or Shri Jagjivan Ram comes forward with this assurance in this House that this probe will include all, I do not think the mover of the Resolution would press for a vote in this House.

Secondly, the Prime Minister has once wrongly used her conscience but it resulted in a right thing, and that is the split in the Congress Party. In the present case she has used her conscience to defend an indefensible act by bringing in the world "forgetfulness" for busy people. That is not a defence for such lapses.

Since Shri Jagjivan Ram is accused of not filing returns for wealth tax also, I want to know one thing from the Prime Minister. All the members of the Cabinet have to submit a statement of their assets to the Prime Minister. I want to know if Shri Jagjivan Ram has done it or not. If so, did she forward it to the department so that wealth-tax and other tax could be levied by the department on the basis of that information. If only that had been done, this question would not have arisen.

We are told that this has continued for a period of ten years. During this period Shri Jawaharlal Nehru, Shri T. T. Krishnamachari, Shri Sachin Choudhari and Shri Morarji Desai were Finance Ministers. So, all of them are equally responsible for this lapse and it is not one person that is to be blamed for it. All of them have corrupted the administration.... (*interruptions*)

I would say that the time has come when serious notice should be taken of this officer who has used his discretion in exonerating Shri Jagjivan Ram. He might have used his quasi judicial powers to decide this case but he is not a judge; he is from the executive and he has given his decision. It has to be enquired into whether he satisfied the rules and regulations while exercising his judicial discretion. I say that this country will have a bleak future or no future at all if officials of this type are given the authority under the law to decide the fate of the citizens of this country, when their decisions or judgment are influenced and coloured

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by other considerations. There was no reason or justification for exonerating him. I hope at this late stage at least Shri Jagjivan Ram will accept his guilt instead of attributing some political motive for this discussion.

I would say that it would be better that we do not single out any particular person. We have no personal grudge against Shri Jagjivan Ram or anybody else. I do not approach the problem from that point of view. We are all interested in making our public life clean. If government do not want to shelter any person, however high the post he is holding may be, as a result of this debate, either the Prime Minister or Shri Jagjivan Ram himself should come forward with this declaration in the House that they are prepared to appoint a high-powered committee, including some Members of Parliament, to go into the entire question of the assets of all existing Ministers, ex-Ministers, Members of Parliament and persons holding high positions in the country.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Shri Jagjivan Ram.

SHRI ABDUL GHANI DAR : Sir, I want to help him. Kindly allow me to speak first and then call him.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : No.

SHRI ABDUL GHANI DAR : You had promised me.

श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा (हमीरपुर) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, मंत्री महोदय ने जिन 350 मेम्बरों का जिक्र किया है, मैं चाहता हूं कि प्रधान मंत्री महोदय एक महीने तक उनकी लिस्ट शाया कर दें ।

SHRI ABDUL GHANI DAR : Sir, I am on a point of order. You assured me that you will give me time to speak on my amendment.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : We have not come to the stage of amendments yet. Shri Jagjivan Ram.

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE, AND LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM) : Sir, I have not much to say. The facts of the case have been explained and I need not take the time of the House in repeating them. I have only one point to make.

I will not say that there has been no mistake on my part; it will be wrong on my part. The very fact that the returns were not filed has been a mistake on my part. The only question is whether there was any evasion. I am not going to join issue with anybody; I can join issue if I want to but I do not propose to do so. That has been my attitude from the very beginning. Political exploitation was made out of it but I have kept quiet. I was advised that the proceeding being a semi-judicial one, unless it is finally decided it will not be prudent on my part to say anything in the matter; so, I have not said anything up till now.

I want to place only one thing before the House, namely, whether there was any intention at evasion or not. Anybody, who has to do with the Income-tax Department and the Finance Ministry, knows that it is incumbent upon the party with which a sum is deposited to send information about the accrual of interest to the income-tax authority concerned every year. In this case also—I have checked it again from the company with which the money was deposited—every year they sent to the Income-tax Officer, in whose jurisdiction that company lay, the return in the prescribed form, with the name of the party who had deposited the money, about the interest that had accrued. That has been sent every year to the Income-tax Department.

It would be a case of evasion if the Income-tax Department was not in the know of the fact that such-and-such person was having such-and-such income. But it was known to the Income-tax Department. However, as has been explained, there has been a lapse on my part.

It was open to me-- it had been explained—legally—whether that is desirable or not—I will not enter into that—if instead of filing the returns on interest income for those ten years, I filed the return only for one year. Then I would have escaped all the odium and everything. I myself felt that it will not be correct. Therefore, the returns were filed for 10 years. If I would have taken advantage of the legal provision, I would not have subjected myself for the last four months to all that is

happening in the country. But in spite of all this, I have faith in the Indian masses. I have known them for the last 40 years. They have known my character. And I will not mind a few Members calling me *chor*, *chor*; I know what they are. I know the Indian masses; the Indian people know what I am.

I have admitted the mistake. I am not pleading that there has been no mistake. The very fact that the returns were not filed is a mistake on my part. But.....

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : There is no "but" about it.

SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM : There is a "but"; I would tell Kripalaniji, all light does not come from Ahmedabad. Light comes from other places also.

SHRI J. B. KRIPALANI : When you say that a mistake was made, why do you add "but"? You are talking away the whole value of that. Whether Ahmedabad or Bombay is not a question....(*Interruptions*)

SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM : Sir, I was pleading with all humility that there was no intention at evasion and why I was saying this is that everytime it was communicated to the Income-tax Officer, and the Income-tax Officer was in the know of the accrual of interest every year.

Now, shall I plead here that I expected, as a regular assessee, to receive some notice? I will not blame the Department. They were over-burdened; I did not receive the notice. I am not taking excuse under that. But may I plead, because I am a Minister, I am not entitled under the provisions of the law to the benefit which an ordinary citizen can get? That is only what I have to plead.

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : You should live like an ordinary citizen.

SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM : I do, I know the communities and the castes which are against my blood. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : Please don't bring in caste-ism here. You do a wrong thing. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : The people of your own caste are against you on this issue. There is Mr. Sheo Narain. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK : Very low tactics.

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : We were not expecting these tactics from you.

SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDY : May I humbly submit this is very unfair? (*Interruptions*)

SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM : If I go on listening to all the abuses, that is all right. But if I just move my little finger, I am a bad man. That is the whole thing. Is this thing not politically motivated? I corroborate what Shri Morarji Desai said. When he told me, "Your income-tax returns have not been filed for so many years", my first reaction was that. But the next day I found that Shri Morarji Desai was trying to take political advantage of it. I have always given Morarji Bhai the utmost regard. Morarji Bhai took personal interest in my income-tax, he took intimate personal interest. Even with that intimate interest, was he not aware of the income-tax officer being informed by the company with which the money was deposited every year of the accrual of interest? Can one say that there was intention to evade? I am posing this question to the Country. I am posing this question to the House....

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : Country !

SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM : Yes.

I am not pleading that there has been no mistake on my part. I have only pleaded that, under the provisions of the law, I should be treated equally with an ordinary citizen of the country.

In the end I will say....(*Interruptions*) People are speaking from experience. I know the groups and parties; I know that constant effort has been made to malign my image, to denigrate me. But, as I have said, I have all these years survived, and I will survive.

SHRI RANJEET SINGH : Surviving like this is no survival; it is shameful.

SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM : It is shameful for you.....(*Interruptions*)

In my humble way I have served the masses of the country for the last 40 years of my public life, and for the rest of my life also I propose to serve.

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : Shri P. C. Sethi has dealt with the acts of the case and, if I may say so, my colleague, Shri Jagjiwan Ram, has dealt with the matter with great dignity and restraint. I have sat here in some astonishment and heard phrases like the 'dignity of public life'. May I ask you, Sir, and through you the members, what they had thought of the dignity of public life when wild allegations were being made here not only today, but through these months and years? Have they ever objected to the allegations that had been made? Was there not the question of the dignity of public life? (*Interruptions*) If I may draw the attention of the hon. Members to the newspapers of the last few days, they would have some exhibition of the dignity of public life. (*Interruptions*)

DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH : Radio and newspapers are under your control.

SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI : I have no intention of yielding to you or anybody else. Shouting is not going to make any difference whatsoever. You have only to go to the public and see how the public feel about these matters. I might also tell those members who had spoken of the administration going down, that we know that all these matters have been raised during question time and half-an-hour discussions and in other forums. There is a great weakness in the tax collection system. We know it and we are going into it and I can assure the hon. Members—and we have already told them of some changes which have been made—that we have no intention of going slow on this or slackening on it. We know this matter has to be tackled. Shri Jagjiwan Ram has very rightly said that he is entitled to what any ordinary citizen of the country is entitled to. We know what has happened in the past. We know that none of us here has any person to look into our income and cook our tax returns. We know that there are people who employ other people to look after their taxation matters. We know that there are people in the country who avoid and evade taxes. (*Interruptions*)

There is no doubt that this debate is entirely politically motivated. It has not begun to-day. This matter has been in evidence and if any proof was needed, it was given in the papers, as I said, of the last few days—of what sort of language that is used and what sort of wild and baseless allegations made not only outside but also here on the floor of the House. (*Interruptions*)

I was asked whether the Ministers send me their statements of assets. They do. But I am supposed to keep them confidential. They are not sent on to any department of the Government. If we consider that any of the Rules are wrong, it is upto us to change those rules and make new laws. While we have those laws and rules, we have to function within them. This is what we have been doing. It is entirely a false allegation to say that anybody is trying to shelter anybody else either now in this particular case, or in any other case. The only direction that has been given in that all should be regarded as equal and nobody should be given any special favour because the person happens to be a Minister or happens to be any other person. Apart from that, there is no question of giving any other direction.

I do not think I need say anything else. I would only say this in the interests of public life of the future. I am certainly not agreeing to any committee being set up because, as I said....(*Interruptions*) I am glad to tell the hon. Member, Mr. Pilloo Mody, that it does not make the slightest difference at all to me. We have the Lokpal Bill and we are having a look at it and I hope no sooner it is passed, we will have a forum where such allegations can be brought and looked into in detail. Nobody wants to avoid this sort of thing. But it must be done with dignity. It must be done in a proper way. It is not at all proper to bring a case against an individual and suddenly in order to make the case more real..... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI RANGA : Your Finance Minister made an absurd charge here that 350 members of Parliament have not filed their returns.

SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI : Hon. Member, Mr. Prem Chand Verma mentioned it. I am sorry we should have been able to give the entire list now. But we are not in a position to do so. We have got some names. We can certainly assure the House that within a short time—within a

month—we will make the list available to the Members.

SHRI ABDUL GHANI DAR: Kindly allow me to move my amendment. It is circulated. You assured me you would call me.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I am coming to amendments. Now the Mover has to reply to the debate.

SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM : In the first place, let me make it clear that I am not at default in the payment of income-tax. I have paid up-to-date and I can assure them that I have set an example for them also.

Secondly, I must refute the imputation made that I have brought this Resolution with a political motive. The Resolution is of my own conception. When I found that a large number of Ministers had not paid such respect to the law, when I found that there is such a loose administration, I thought it my duty to bring this Resolution with a view, as I have already stated, to improve the administration, to improve morale.

I may also point out that the total arrears of income tax to be collected come now to more than Rs. 650 crores. This has been mounting year after year, with the result that the people are being taxed indiscriminately to make up the deficiency which would not have been necessary if the taxes had been duly collected. So my idea was to improve the administration, to see that the department and Government functioned properly so that the arrears might be wiped off, the amounts collected and spent for the country.

Secondly, my idea was that the Ministers holding the highest place in the country, being the accredited representatives of the people, must set an example to the people of discipline, honesty and also of their duty.

Everyone is surprised—I am sure the Prime Minister also is very much concerned—at the statement that was made that more than half of us, the Ministers and the others, have defaulted, have not filed their returns of income tax. It is expected of the national leaders that they set an example to other people. Here I find that our Ministers who are in charge of guiding the destiny of this State have set a very bad example.

Shri Salve said that under sec. 139(2), notices have to be issued. If his argument is accepted, that notices should be issued, I will tell you that the income-tax department cannot function. There is, first, sec. 139(1) under which every individual must file his return. This applies mostly to the existing arrears. All those who have been assessed, who are the assessees—it is their duty to file their returns of income tax and wealth tax. Sec. 132(2) will come into operation for new persons.

For example, if the income-tax officer feels that certain persons had escaped assessment and they must come under the ambit of the law, it is his duty to issue notice to the person. Again if there is consistent default he must issue that notice. The law lays down that every person must file his return within a prescribed time in the prescribed form. Otherwise, the position of the income-tax department will become hopeless. Every assessee will say : let me receive notice. That is a bad and unhealthy procedure.

I have already said that the Ministers must set an example because they hold the reins of Government. They have to administer. I am only anxious to improve the tone of the department and the morale of the department so that the income-tax department might function better, so that the assessees may realise their responsibility and the Government may rectify the procedure. They must see how all these lapses have reacted on the public. So many points had been vindicated: first, the working of the income-tax department; secondly its lapses, and so on. It must be known that the income-tax on income eight years back cannot be assessed after eight years. If some years lapse, it would not be finalised because there is the bar of limitation. There are every so many points. I feel that a Committee of Parliament including representatives of all the parties must be appointed to go into the question; it is only such a Committee that can give a clean chit to Mr. Jagjiwan Ram. With these words, I commend this Resolution to the House.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : I shall put all the amendments to the vote.

All the amendments were put and negatived.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is :

"This House takes note of widespread criticism in the country regarding the failure on the part of the Union Food Minister, Shri Jagjivan Ram to file his Income-tax and Wealth-tax returns and also the serious financial irregularities committed by various institutions with which the Union Food Minister is associated and resolved that a Committee of Members of Parliament be appointed to investigate these allegations and make a report to the House".

The Lok Sabha divided :

AYES

[Division No. 25] **[21.49 HRS.]**

Amat, Shri D.
Amin, Shri R. K.
Dar, Shri Abdul Ghani
Das, Shri N. T.
Dass, Shri C.
Desai, Shri Morarji
Devgun, Shri Hardayal
Dwivedy, Shri Surendranath
Ghosh, Shri Bimalkanti
Gowda, Shri M. H.
Goyal, Shri Shri Chand
Gupta, Shri Indrajit
Gupta, Shri Kanwar Lal
Gupta, Shri Ram Kishan
Hari Krishna, Shri
Himatsingka, Shri
Kamalanathan, Shri
Kameshwar Singh, Shri
Kandappan, Shri S.
Kapoor, Shri Lakhan Lal
Kedaria, Shri C. M.
Kothari, Shri S.S.
Kripalani, Shri J. B.
Kripalani, Shrimati Sucheta
Lakkappa, Shri K.
Limaye, Shri Madhu
Madhok, Shri Bal Raj
Majhi, Shri M.
Masuriya Din, Shri
Meetha Lal, Shri
Mehta, Shri Asoka
Menon, Shri Vishwanatha
Misra, Shri Janeshwar
Misra, Shri Srinibas
Mody, Shri Piloo
Mohamed, Imam, Shri
Mohinder Kaur, Shrimati
Molahu Prasad, Shri
Mondal, Shri J. K.
Mrityunjay Prasad, Shri
Mukerjee, Shrimati Sharda
Murti, Shri M. S.
Naghnoor, Shri M. N.
Naidu, Shri Chengalraya
Naik, Shri G. C.
Nambiar Shri
Nayar, Dr. Sushila
Onkar Singh, Shri
Parmar, Shri D. R.
Patel, Shri Manubhai
Patel, Shri N. N.
Patodia, Shri D. N.
Pramanik, Shri J. N.
Raju, Shri D. B.
Ram Subhag Singh, Dr.
Ramani, Shri K.
Ranga, Shri
Ranjit Singh, Shri
Rao, Shri V. Narasimha
Ray, Shri Rabi
Sapre, Shrimati Tara
Sarma, Shri A. T.
Sen, Shri P. G.
Sethuraman, Shri N.
Sezhiyan, Shri
Shah, Shrimati Jayaben
Shah, Shri Shantilal
Sheo Narain, Shri
Singh, Shri D. N.
Sinha, Shrimati Tarkeshwari
Solanki, Shri S. M.
Somani, Shri N. K.
Vidyarthi, Shri Ram Swarup
Viswambharan, Shri P.
Yadva, Shri Ram Sewak

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Ahirwar, Shri Nathu Ram
Awadesh Chandra Singh, Shri
Azad, Shri Bhagwat Jha
Babunath Singh, Shri
Badrudduja, Shri
Bajpai, Shri Vidya Dhar
Barrow, Shri
Barua, Shri Bedabrata
Barupal, Shri P. L.
Basu, Dr. Maitreyee
Baswant, Shri
Besra, Shri S. C.
Bhagat, Shri B. R.
Bhagavati, Shri
Bhakt Darshan, Shri
Bhandare, Shri R. D.
Bist, Shri J. B. S.
Bramhanandji, Shri
Buta Singh, Shri
Chanda, Shri Anil K.
Chandrika Prasad, Shri
Chaturvedi, Shri R. L.
Chavan, Shri D. R.
Chavan, Shri Y. B.
Choudhary, Shri Valmiki
Choudhury, Shri J. K.
Dalbir Singh, Shri
Deoghare, Shri N. R.
Deshmukh, Shri B. D.
Deshmukh, Shri Shivajirao S.
Dhuleshwar Meena, Shri
Dinesh Singh, Shri
Dixit, Shri G. C.
Ering, Shri D.
Gajraj Singh Rao, Shri
Gandhi, Shrimati Indira
Ganesh, Shri K. R.
Ganga Devi, Shrimati
Gautam, Shri C. D.
Gavit, Shri Tukaram
Ghosh, Shri P. K.
Ghosh, Shri Parimal
Govind Das, Dr.
Gupta, Shri Lakhan Lal
Hanumanthaiya, Shri
Heerji Bhai, Shri
Iqbal Singh, Shri
Jadhav, Shri Tulshidas
Jadhav, Shri V. N.
Jaggaiah, Shri K.
Jagjiwan Ram, Shri
Kahandole, Shri Z. M.
Kamble, Shri
Kamala Kumari, Shrimati
Karan Singh, Dr.
Kasture, Shri A. S.
Kavade, Shri B. R.
Kesri, Shri Sitaram
Khanna, Shri P. K.
Kinder Lal, Shri
Kotoki, Shri Liladhar
Kripalani, Shri J. B.
Krishnan, Shri G. Y.
Kureel, Shri B. N.
Kushok Bakula, Shri
Lalit Sen, Shri
Laskar, Shri N. R.
Laxmi Bai, Shrimati
Lutfal Haque, Shri
Mahadeva Prasad, Dr.
Mahajan, Shri Vikram Chand
Maharaj Singh, Shri
Mahida, Shri Narendra Singh
Mahishi, Dr. Sarojini
Mandal, Shri Yamuna Prasad
Mane, Shri Shankarrao
Marandi, Shri
Minimata, Shrimati Agam Dass Guru
Mohammad Ismail, Shri
Mohammad Yusuf, Shri
Mohsin, Shri
Mudrika Singh, Shri
Murthy, Shri B. S.
Nageshwar, Shri
Nanda, Shri
Oraon, Shri Kartik
Pahadia, Shri
Panigrahi, Shri Chintamani
Pant, Shri K. C.
Paokai Haokip, Shri
Parmar, Shri D. R.
Pratap Singh, Shri
Parthasarathy, Shri
Patil, Shri C. A.
Patil, Shri Deorao
Patil, Shri S. D.
Patil, Shri T. A.
Pradhani, Shri K.
Qureshi, Shri Shaffi
Radhabai, Shrimati B.
Raghu Ramaiah, Shri
Ram, Shri T.
Ram Dhan, Shri
Ram Sewak, Shri
Ram Swarup, Shri
Ramji Ram, Shri
Ramshekhar Prasad Singh, Shri
Rana, Shri M. B.
Randhir Singh, Shri
Rao, Dr. K. L.

Rao, Shri K. Narayana
Rao, Shri Muthial
Rao, Shri J. Ramapathi
Rao, Shri Thirumala
Rao, Dr. V. K. R. V.
Raut, Shri Bhola
Roy, Shri Bishwanath
Sadhu Ram, Shri
Saigal, Shri A. S.
Saleem, Shri M. Yunus
Salve, Shri N. K. P.
Sankata Prasad, Dr.
Savitri Shyam, Shrimati
Sayeed, Shri P. M.
Sayyad Ali, Shri
Sen, Shri Dwaipayan
Sethi, Shri P. C.
Shambhu Nath, Shri
Shankaranand, Shri
Sharma, Shri Madhoram
Sharma, Shri Naval Kishore
Shashi Bhushan, Shri
Shastri, Shri Ramanand
Shastri, Shri Sheopujan
Sher Singh, Shri
Shinde, Shri Annasahib
Shiv Chandika Prasad, Shri
Shukla, Shri S. N.
Shukla, Shri Vidya Charan
Snatak, Shri Nar Deo
Solanki, Shri P. N.
Sonar, Dr. A. G.
Sonavane, Shri
Sunder Lal, Shri
Surendra Pal Singh, Shri
Sursingh, Shri
Suryanarayana, Shri K.
Tiwary, Shri D. N.
Tiwary, Shri K. N.
Tula Ram, Shri
Uikey, Shri M. G.
Ulaka, Shri Ramachandra
Verma, Shri Balgovind
Verma, Shri Prem Chand
Virbhadra Singh, Shri
Vyas, Shri Ramesh Chandra
Yadav, Shri N. P.
Yadav, Shri Chandra Jeet

MR DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The result of the division is as follows : Ayes 75; Noes 158.

The motion was negatived.

21.51 HRS

MESSAGES FROM RAJYA SABHA

SECRETARY : Sir, I have to report the following messages received from the Secretary of Rajya Sabha :—

(i) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 115 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to inform the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha, at its sitting held on the 22nd December, 1969, agreed to the following amendments made by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 27th November, 1969, in the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 1968 :—

Enacting Formula

That at page 1, line 1,—
for "Nineteenth" *substitute* "Twentieth"

Clause 1

That at page 1, line 4,—
for "1968" *substitute* "1969"

Clause 5

3. That at page 4, line 11,—
for "one year" *substitute* "six months"

Clause 9

4. Tha at page 5, line 10,—
for "1968" *substitute* "1969"

5. That at page 5, lines 18 and 19,—
omit "and the fee to be paid in respect thereof"

Clause 13

6. That at page 6, line 15,—
after "agreement" *insert* "by the parties concerned"

Clause 17

7. That at page 8,—
after line 20, *insert*—
'(n) to any transport vehicle while proceeding empty to any place for purpose of repair.'.'

Clause 20

8. That at page 9, line 29,—
for "five" *substitute* "two"

Clause 23

9. That at page 10, line 38,—
after "seasons" *insert*—
"and the same is prominently marked on the vehicle"

Clause 29

10. That at page 13, line 19,—
for "eight" *substitute* "sixteen"

Clause 33

11. That at page 17, line 27,—
for "1968" *substitute* "1969"

Clause 39

12. That at page 19, line 39,—
after "newspaper" *insert* "in regional language"

Clause 80

13. That at page 43,—
(i) omit line 5
(ii) *after* line 11, *insert*—
"Tamil Nadu.....TN, TM"

Clause 82

14. (i) That at page 45,—
after Serial No. 12, after line 37, *insert*—

"13. Motor Vehicles (Madras Amendment) Act, 1957 (19 of 1957) ....The whole."

(ii) That at pages 45 and 46,—
Serial Nos. 13 to 34 may be renumbered as serial Nos. 14 to 35."

(ii) "In accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (6) of rule 186 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to return herewith the Appropriation (Railways) No. 5 Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 20th December 1969, and transmitted to the Rajya Sabha for its recommendations and to state that this House has no recommendations to make to the Lok Sabha in regard to the said Bill."

(iii) "In accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (6) of rule 186 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to return herewith the Appropriation (No. 5) Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 20th December, 1969, and transmitted to the Rajya Sabha for its recommendations and to state that this House has no recommendations to make to the Lok Sabha in regard to the said Bill."

(iv) "In accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (6) of rule 186 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to return herewith the Appropriation (No. 6) Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 20th December, 1969, and transmitted to the Rajya Sabha for its recommendations and to state that this House has no recommendations to make to the Lok Sabha in regard to the said Bill."

(v) "In accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (6) of rule 186 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to return herewith the Manipur Appropriation Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 20th December, 1969, and transmitted to the Rajya Sabha for its recommendations and to state that this House has no recommendations to make to the Lok Sabha in regard to the said Bill."

(vi) "In accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (6) of rule 186 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business, in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to return herewith the Bihar Appropriation Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 22nd December, 1969, and transmitted to the

Rajya Sabha for its recommendations and to state that this House has no recommendations to make to the Lok Sabha in regard to the said Bill."

(vii) "In accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (6) of rule 186 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to return herewith the Indian Tariff (Amendment) Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 22nd December, 1969, and transmitted to the Rajya Sabha for its recommendations and to state that this House has no recommendations to make to the Lok Sabha in regard to the said Bill."

(viii) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 127 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to inform the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha, at its sitting held on the 24th December, 1969, agreed without any amendment to the Punjab Legislative Council (Abolition) Bill, 1969, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 19th November, 1969."

21·49 hrs.

DISCUSSION RE : PRICES OF GROUNDNUT

SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU (Chittoor) : Sir, I am raising this discussion under rule 193.

Last year, exactly about 13 months back, I raised a discussion like this and I also brought to the notice of the Government the plight of the groundnut growers and also of the other oilseeds growers. Though 13 months back, the Government had promised to appoint a committee under the chairmanship of the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture to go into the matter, and do justice to the ground-nut growers of this country. So far the Government has not made any efforts or taken any steps to help the growers or to assure ground-nut production in the country.

श्री प० ला० बारूपाल (गंगानगर) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, कोरम नहीं है ।

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The bell is being rung.

The bell has stopped ringing and there is no quorum.

The House stands adjourned *sine die*.

21.54 hrs.

The Lok Sabha then adjourned sine die.

M 45 LSS/69–(P)–GIPF.